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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA

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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT SUSTAINS NOTICEABLE LOSS: North Carolina's total employment was estimated to be 2,879,900 in mid-September of this year. That figure represented a net over-the-month drop of 9,600 persons (-0.3 percent). Two of the three main employment segments suffered monthly declines. Agricultural employment continued its seasonal cutbacks with the reduction of 31,100 workers (-29.1 percent). Also, the "all other" nonagricultural employment category fell by 6,500 people (-2.2 percent) over the month. However, those losses were partially offset by the strong gain of 28,000 workers (+1.1 percent) in nonagricultural wage and salary employment.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXHIBITS MODEST GROWTH: In the middle of September, 1984, manufacturing employment in the State was estimated to be 815,200. That was a net over-the-month gain of only 1,300 workers (+0.2 percent). The durable goods segment, however, lost 200 people (-0.1 percent) as four of its industry groups registered declines. The two largest occurred in lumber and wood and nonelectrical machinery, both down by 400. On the positive side, transportation equipment added 500 workers (+2.7 percent) and primary metals increased by 200 persons (+1.9 percent). The nondurable goods segment experienced a net monthly increase of 1,500 people (+0.3 percent), primarily due to the strong seasonal growth of 2,300 workers (+9.4 percent) in tobacco manufacturing. That gain was somewhat offset by the loss of 800 persons (-0.9 percent) in apparel and related products.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT UP SHARPLY OVER THE MONTH: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,699,900 in mid-September of this year. That figure represented a significant net monthly surge of 50,900 (+3.1 percent). The main reason for that growth was the seasonal climb of 50,100 workers (+13.4 percent) in government. Also, trade enjoyed a good increase of 2,000 persons (+0.4 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING RISE OVER THE YEAR: Manufacturing employment added 11,100 workers (+1.4 percent) from September, 1983, to September, 1984. The four industry groups with the largest net gains were electrical machinery (+6,100), nonelectrical machinery (+4,100), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,700), and furniture and fixtures (+1,600). Nonmanufacturing employment grew by 56,800 people (+3.5 percent) over the year as all of its industry groups displayed increases. These were the four largest: trade (+22,000), service and miscellaneous (+11,700), government (+10,400), and construction (+7,600).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES MEASURABLE INCREASE: North Carolina's total unemployment was estimated to be 193,600 as of mid-September, 1984. That was a net over-the-month gain of 5,800 people (+3.1 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 6.1 percent in August to 6.3 percent in September. The unemployment situation is still much better than one year ago (September, 1983) when there were 217,600 persons out of work for a rate of 7.4 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.1 percent in September, 1984, 7.3 percent in August, 1984, and 8.8 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.4 percent this September, 7.5 percent in August, and 9.3 percent in September of 1983.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

September, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Sept. 2/ 1984	Aug. 3/ 1984	Sept. 1983	Aug., 1984		Sept., 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,073,500	3,077,300	2,956,300	- 3,800	- 0.1	+117,200	+ 4.0
Employment, Total	2,879,900	2,889,500	2,738,700	- 9,600	- 0.3	+141,200	+ 5.2
Agricultural Employment	75,900	107,000	81,600	-31,100	-29.1	- 5,700	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,512,200	2,484,200	2,357,600	+28,000	+ 1.1	+154,600	+ 6.6
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	291,800	298,300	299,500	- 6,500	- 2.2	- 7,700	- 2.6
Unemployment, Total	193,600	187,800	217,600	+ 5,800	+ 3.1	- 24,000	-11.0
State Unadjusted Rate	6.3	6.1	7.4	+ 0.2	XXX	- 1.1	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.1	7.3	8.8	- 0.2	XXX	- 1.7	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.4	7.5	9.3	- 0.1	XXX	- 1.9	XXX

1/ All data ravised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

2/ Preliminary Estimates.

3/ Revised Estimates.

4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.

5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS RISE WHILE HOURS WORKED FALL: From the middle of August to middle of September, 1984, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees grew by 5¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to $7.07. Also, that was a net over-the-year gain of 37¢ an hour (+5.5 percent). The durable goods segment enjoyed a good net over-the-month increase of 6¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to reach $7.34 this September. During the past twelve months, the durable goods sector has added 41¢ an hour (+5.9 percent). The durable goods industry which experienced the largest net over-the-month growth was nonelectrical machinery, up by 19¢ an hour (+2.3 percent) to hit $8.43. That was followed by fabricated metal products, which rose by 8¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to a level of $7.85 in September, 1984. The nondurable goods segment displayed a modest net monthly increase of 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) to $6.90 this September. Over the year, the nondurable goods sector advanced by 33¢ an hour (+5.0 percent). Printing and publishing led the way again in nondurables with a net monthly jump of 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to $7.98. Paper and allied products was next, increasing by 9¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to $10.79 in September of this year. From mid-August to mid-September, 1984, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers fell slightly (-84¢) to $278.56. The present level is $3.86 (+1.4 percent) above twelve months ago. Average weekly hours stood at 39.4 in September, 1984, down by 0.4 of an hour over the month and by 1.6 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 314.5 in September, 1984, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That figure represented an over-the-month gain of 0.5 percent and an over-the-year increase of 4.2 percent. The category which recorded the largest monthly surge was "other" goods and services, the cost of which jumped by 2.4 percent from August to September. That was followed by apparel and upkeep, which rose by 2.0 percent over the month. Housing was a distant third, up by 0.6 percent. The only group to enjoy a monthly decline was food and beverages, down by 0.2 percent. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, fell to 31.8¢ in September, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES IN SEPTEMBER: As of September 30, 1984, there were 157,638 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices accross the State. That was a net over-the-month decrease of 7,869 people (-4.8 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine which had 97,017 or 61.6 percent of the total. Next came the twenty-one and under segment with 26,376 or 16.7 percent. The lowest number of active applicants occurred in the fifty-five and over category which had 8,207 or just 5.2 percent of the total. Females comprised 50.6 percent of the total with a count of 79,705. Moreover, whites who were not Hispanic made up the largest ethnic group with 90,198 or 57.3 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of September 30, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

September 30, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	157,638	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,376	16.7
22-39	97,017	61.6
40-54	26,038	16.5
55 and Over	8,207	5.2
Sex		
Male	77,933	49.4
Female	79,705	50.6
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	90,198	57.3
Black, not Hispanic	63,098	40.0
Hispanic	1,463	0.9
American Indian and Alaskan Native	1,792	1.1
Other Races and Undetermined	1,087	0.7
Eligible Claimant	55,684	35.3
Veteran	29,108	18.5
Handicapped	8,930	5.7
Seasonal Farmworker	3,564	2.3

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS DECREASES OVER THE MONTH: During September, 1984, there were 25,974 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. That was a net monthly drop of 6,110 (-19.0 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (21,169 or 81.5 percent). The occupational category with the largest number of job openings received in September was farming, fishing, and forestry with 6,097, all of which were filled. The service category followed with 3,453 job openings received and 2,641 or 76.5 percent filled. A close third was the miscellaneous group which had 3,389 job openings received and 2,962 or 87.4 percent filled. Once again sales had the smallest number of job openings received for the month with only 711; however, the majority was filled (444 or 62.4 percent). There were 96,327 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984 through September 30, 1984. A good percentage of those job openings was filled (80.6 percent or 77,606). There were 18,306 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of September 30, 1984. Most of those job openings (11,370 or 62.1 percent) were classified as hard-to-fill because they had remained open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on North Carolina's job openings in September, 1984.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	September, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Sept. 30, 1984	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	772	340	3,072	1,468	1,468	1,013
Clerical	2,674	1,856	8,670	5,730	2,293	1,308
Sales	711	444	2,161	1,115	1,003	677
Service	3,453	2,641	12,914	9,535	3,188	2,047
Domestic	235	195	876	744	101	63
Other Services	3,218	2,446	12,038	8,791	3,087	1,984
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	6,097	6,554	32,461	31,575	248	181
Processing	1,290	1,132	3,374	3,034	838	615
Machine Trades	1,574	1,235	5,264	3,827	1,566	1,029
Bench Work	3,099	1,877	7,822	5,837	2,703	1,316
Structural Work	2,915	2,128	10,548	7,449	3,060	1,963
Miscellaneous	3,389	2,962	10,041	8,036	1,939	1,221
Motor Freight and Trans.	505	298	1,710	1,000	569	340
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,805	2,619	8,096	6,894	1,283	831
Other	79	45	235	142	87	50
Total	25,974	21,169	96,327	77,606	18,306	11,370

1/ July 1, 1984, through September 30, 1984.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,515.1	2,462.9	2,447.2	+ 2.1	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	815.2	813.9	804.1	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
DURABLE GOODS	320.7	320.9	305.6	- 0.06	+ 4.9
Lumber & Wood Products	35.1	35.5	35.9	- 1.1	- 2.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.0	13.2	13.4	- 1.5	- 3.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.7	8.8	8.4	- 1.1	+ 3.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.8	4.2	- 2.6	-11.9
Furniture & Fixtures	81.8	81.9	80.2	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	72.2	72.5	71.8	- 0.4	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.8	37.0	36.8	- 0.5	0
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.1	31.0	30.4	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	18.9	17.9	0	+ 5.6
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.5	0	+12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.9	5.0	4.7	- 2.0	+ 4.3
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.6	9.5	+ 1.9	+13.7
Fabricated Metal Products	24.7	24.8	24.3	- 0.4	+ 1.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.4	8.6	0	- 2.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.4	54.8	50.3	- 0.7	+ 8.2
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.1	7.6	- 1.2	+ 5.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.6	60.5	54.5	+ 0.2	+11.2
Household Appliances	6.0	6.0	6.1	0	- 1.6
Transportation Equipment	19.3	18.8	17.8	+ 2.7	+ 8.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.1	15.1	15.2	0	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	494.5	493.0	498.5	+ 0.3	- 0.8
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	44.7	44.1	+ 0.7	+ 2.0
Meat Products	17.7	17.8	16.6	- 0.6	+ 6.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	7.9	+ 1.3	+ 2.5
Beverages	6.7	6.7	6.6	0	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	26.8	24.5	26.1	+ 9.4	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	18.5	18.6	18.3	- 0.5	+ 1.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.6	5.1	7.1	+49.0	+ 7.0
Textile Mill Products	217.9	217.9	227.4	0	- 4.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	60.1	59.5	64.1	+ 1.0	- 6.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	31.1	30.4	34.4	+ 2.3	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.9	28.9	29.5	0	- 2.0
Knitting Mills	76.9	77.3	80.4	- 0.5	- 4.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.7	23.1	23.1	- 1.7	- 1.7
Hosiery, NEC	22.2	22.4	23.0	- 0.9	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.8	14.0	15.1	- 1.4	- 8.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.1	7.0	7.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.2	14.8	- 0.7	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	53.7	53.9	55.1	- 0.4	- 2.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.9	87.7	87.2	- 0.9	- 0.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.7	28.1	27.4	- 1.4	+ 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.8	41.1	41.3	- 0.7	- 1.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.4	22.1	0	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.8	10.7	- 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.2	7.1	+ 1.4	+ 2.8
Printing & Publishing	23.6	23.4	22.2	+ 0.9	+ 6.3
Newspapers	9.2	9.2	8.6	0	+ 7.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.4	37.8	37.7	- 1.1	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.4	13.7	13.9	- 2.2	- 3.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	30.1	26.3	- 0.3	+14.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,699.9	1,649.0	1,643.1	+ 3.1	+ 3.5
MINING	4.5	4.6	4.4	- 2.2	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	125.8	126.3	118.2	- 0.4	+ 6.4
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	124.0	123.8	121.5	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.6	63.1	61.4	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.1	55.4	54.9	- 0.5	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	536.7	534.7	514.7	+ 0.4	+ 4.3
Wholesale Trade	126.5	126.4	121.7	+ 0.1	+ 3.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.5	74.4	70.8	+ 0.1	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.0	52.0	50.9	0	+ 2.2
Retail Trade	410.2	408.3	393.0	+ 0.5	+ 4.4
General Merchandise Stores	55.7	56.0	53.5	- 0.5	+ 4.1
Variety Stores	11.7	11.7	11.5	0	+ 1.7
Food Stores	66.0	65.2	65.0	+ 1.2	+ 1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	104.9	101.6	- 0.8	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	380.5	380.5	368.8	0	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.5	25.1	21.7	- 2.4	+12.9
Personal Services	24.5	24.4	22.8	+ 0.4	+ 7.5
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.2	10.0	- 1.0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	424.3	374.2	413.9	+13.4	+ 2.5
Federal	50.4	50.5	50.0	- 0.2	+ 0.8
State	122.7	116.0	119.1	+ 5.8	+ 3.0
Education	62.5	55.7	603	+ 12.2	+ 3.6
Other	60.2	60.3	58.8	- 0.2	+ 2.4
Local	251.2	207.7	244.8	+20.9	+ 2.6
Education	138.8	93.1	134.1	+49.1	+ 3.5
Other	112.4	114.6	110.7	- 1.9	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2492.9	2487.5	2425.4	+ 0.2	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	808.2	810.8	797.6	- 0.3	+ 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	319.0	321.2	304.0	- 0.7	+ 4.9
Lumber & Wood Products	34.6	35.0	35.4	- 1.1	- 2.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.9	13.1	13.3	- 1.5	- 3.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.7	8.2	- 1.1	+ 4.9
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.7	4.1	- 2.7	-12.2
Furniture & Fixtures	81.7	83.1	80.1	- 1.7	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	72.1	73.3	71.7	- 1.6	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.3	36.9	36.4	- 1.6	- 0.3
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.2	30.5	0	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.6	18.8	17.6	- 1.1	+ 5.7
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.4	0	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.8	4.9	4.6	- 2.0	+ 4.3
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.5	9.5	+ 2.9	+13.7
Fabricated Metal Products	24.4	24.7	24.0	- 1.2	+ 1.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.3	8.5	0	- 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.5	54.8	50.4	- 0.5	+ 8.1
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.1	7.6	- 1.2	+ 5.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.0	60.4	54.0	- 0.7	+11.1
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.6	- 1.8	- 1.8
Transportation Equipment	19.3	18.8	17.8	+ 2.7	+ 8.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.1	15.1	15.2	0	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	489.2	489.6	493.6	- 0.1	- 0.9
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.2	43.5	+ 0.2	+ 1.8
Meat Products	17.6	17.7	16.5	- 0.6	+ 6.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.9	0	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	7.8	+ 1.2	+ 3.8
Beverages	6.7	6.5	6.6	+ 3.1	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.1	22.8	23.5	+ 5.7	+ 2.6
Cigarettes	18.8	18.5	18.6	+ 1.6	+ 1.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	3.8	4.2	+18.4	+ 7.1
Textile Mill Products	216.8	217.2	226.4	- 0.2	- 4.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.9	59.5	63.8	+ 0.7	- 6.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	31.4	30.6	34.7	+ 2.6	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.6	28.9	29.2	- 1.0	- 2.1
Knitting Mills	76.4	76.8	79.9	- 0.5	- 4.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.7	23.0	23.1	- 1.3	- 1.7
Hosiery, NEC	22.1	22.1	22.9	0	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.9	14.1	15.2	- 1.4	- 8.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.0	7.0	6.9	0	+ 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.1	14.8	0	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	53.5	53.6	54.9	- 0.2	- 2.6

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Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.3	27.8	27.0	- 1.8	+ 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.6	40.8	41.1	- 0.5	- 1.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.5	22.1	- 0.4	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.9	10.7	- 1.8	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.1	0	+ 2.8
Printing & Publishing	23.9	23.8	22.5	+ 0.4	+ 6.2
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	8.7	0	+11.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.6	37.8	37.9	- 0.5	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.7	14.1	- 0.7	- 3.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.6	29.6	26.0	0	+13.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1684.7	1676.7	1627.8	+ 0.5	+ 3.5
MINING	4.5	4.6	4.4	- 2.2	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	122.0	121.1	114.7	+ 0.7	+ 6.4
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.6	123.4	121.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.3	63.2	61.0	+ 0.2	+ 3.8
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.3	55.0	55.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	531.4	529.2	509.3	+ 0.4	+ 4.3
Wholesale Trade	123.6	123.7	118.8	- 0.1	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade--Durable Goods	74.6	74.1	70.9	+ 0.7	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade--Nondurable Goods	49.0	49.6	47.9	- 1.2	+ 2.3
Retail Trade	407.8	405.5	390.5	+ 0.6	+ 4.4
General Merchandise Stores	56.4	56.6	54.2	- 0.4	+ 4.1
Variety Stores	11.8	11.7	11.6	+ 0.9	+ 1.7
Food Stores	65.3	64.9	64.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	103.8	103.9	101.3	- 0.1	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	376.7	372.6	364.9	+ 1.1	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.4	21.6	20.7	+ 8.3	+13.0
Personal Services	25.0	24.9	23.2	+ 0.4	+ 7.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.1	10.0	0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	422.7	421.9	412.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Federal	50.7	50.0	50.2	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
State	124.4	125.6	120.7	- 1.0	+ 3.1
Education	63.7	66.5	61.4	- 4.2	+ 3.7
Other	60.7	59.1	59.3	+ 2.7	+ 2.4
Local	247.6	246.3	241.2	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Education	134.4	134.5	129.7	- 0.1	+ 3.6
Other	113.2	111.8	111.5	+ 1.3	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	August 1984	September 1983
MANUFACTURING	653.8	651.8	646.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
DURABLE GOODS	244.8	244.9	233.1	*	+ 5.0
Lumber & Wood Products	29.9	30.3	30.7	- 1.3	- 2.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.8	7.3	- 1.3	+ 5.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.1	3.6	- 3.2	- 16.7
Furniture & Fixtures	72.9	73.0	71.5	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	65.1	65.3	64.7	- 0.3	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	34.0	34.3	34.0	- 0.9	0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.7	15.8	14.5	- 0.6	+ 8.3
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	2.0	0	+ 10.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	7.9	7.0	+ 1.3	+ 14.3
Fabricated Metal Products	18.5	18.6	18.0	- 0.5	+ 2.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.8	28.0	26.1	- 0.7	+ 6.5
Special Industry Machinery	5.2	5.3	5.1	- 1.9	+ 2.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.6	44.5	39.3	+ 0.2	+ 13.5
Household Appliances	5.3	5.4	5.4	- 1.9	- 1.9
Transportation Equipment	15.9	15.4	14.4	+ 3.2	+ 10.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	409.0	406.9	413.3	+ 0.5	- 1.0
Food & Kindred Products	31.0	30.7	30.5	+ 1.0	+ 1.6
Meat Products	15.6	15.6	14.6	0	+ 6.8
Meat Packing	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.6	1.6	- 6.2	- 6.2
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.6	2.5	2.6	+ 4.0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.6	20.0	21.9	+ 13.0	+ 3.2
Cigarettes	14.8	14.9	14.7	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.2	4.5	6.6	+ 60.0	+ 9.1
Textile Mill Products	194.0	193.9	203.1	+ 0.1	+ 4.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	54.5	53.8	58.1	+ 1.3	- 6.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	27.5	31.2	+ 2.5	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.2	26.2	26.8	0	- 2.2
Knitting Mills	67.5	68.0	71.0	- 0.7	- 4.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.9	20.3	20.3	- 2.0	- 2.0
Hosiery, NEC	20.4	20.5	21.2	- 0.5	- 3.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.7	11.9	13.0	- 1.7	- 10.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.7	11.8	12.3	- 0.8	- 4.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.4	49.5	50.7	- 0.2	- 2.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.6	77.4	76.9	- 1.0	- 0.4
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	25.1	25.5	24.8	- 1.6	+ 1.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.2	35.5	35.6	- 0.8	- 1.1
Paper & Allied Products	17.0	17.0	16.9	0	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.9	7.9	- 1.3	- 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.7	5.6	5.5	+ 1.8	+ 3.6
Printing & Publishing	14.3	14.0	13.3	+ 2.1	+ 7.5
Newspapers	3.6	3.5	3.3	+ 2.9	+ 9.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	25.0	25.3	24.8	- 1.2	+ 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.7	9.9	9.8	- 2.0	- 1.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.7	24.8	21.2	- 0.4	+ 16.5
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.8	3.8	4.7	0	- 19.1

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983
MANUFACTURING	$278.56	$279.40	$274.70	39.4	39.8	41.0	$7.07	$7.02	$6.70
DURABLE GOODS	296.54	294.11	284.82	40.4	40.4	41.1	7.34	7.28	6.93
Lumber & Wood Products	235.95	239.40	238.05	39.0	39.9	41.4	6.05	6.00	5.75
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	226.94	227.26	231.28	39.4	39.8	41.3	5.76	5.71	5.60
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	255.24	280.89	276.81	36.0	40.3	41.5	7.09	6.97	6.67
Furniture & Fixtures	244.34	240.03	238.98	38.6	38.1	39.5	6.33	6.30	6.05
Household Furniture	242.82	238.14	239.79	38.3	37.8	39.7	6.34	6.30	6.04
Wood Household Furniture	237.37	232.59	231.60	39.3	38.7	40.0	6.04	6.01	5.79
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	327.40	327.33	316.92	42.3	42.4	42.2	7.74	7.72	7.51
Structural Clay Products	262.98	259.53	256.61	42.9	42.2	43.2	6.13	6.15	5.94
Primary Metal Industries	354.64	357.72	338.68	44.0	44.0	43.7	8.06	8.13	7.75
Fabricated Metal Products	326.56	323.23	304.88	41.6	41.6	41.2	7.85	7.77	7.40
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	358.28	346.08	341.23	42.5	42.0	42.6	8.43	8.24	8.01
Special Industry Machinery	315.18	303.35	302.58	41.2	40.5	41.0	7.65	7.49	7.38
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	341.13	340.72	329.80	41.1	41.1	41.8	8.30	8.29	7,89
Household Appliances	285.18	264.53	272.25	42.5	39.6	43.7	6.71	6.68	6.23
Transportation Equipment	332.38	331.47	321.06	41.6	41.8	42.3	7.99	7.93	7.59
NONDURABLE GOODS	267.72	271.37	269.37	38.8	39.5	41.0	6.90	6.87	6.57
Food & Kindred Products	254.92	254.08	255.23	39.4	39.7	41.1	6.47	6.40	6.21
Meat Products	209.03	199.39	209.82	37.8	37.2	39.0	5.53	5.36	5.38
Meat Packing	356.35	296.42	323.51	44.6	38.1	42.4	7.99	7.78	7.63
Dairy Products	270.19	269.51	263.16	43.3	43.4	43.0	6.24	6.21	6.12
Grain Mill Products	298.08	311.31	303.52	43.2	44.6	44.9	6.90	6.98	6.76
Bakery Products	286.47	293.56	276.81	41.1	42.3	41.5	6.97	6.94	6.67
Beverages	486.18	495.04	473.22	44.4	45.5	46.9	10.95	10.88	10.09
Tobacco Manufacturers	404.29	423.34	391.93	39.1	37.9	38.2	10.34	11.17	10.26
Cigarettes	513.03	503.31	478.75	38.2	37.9	38.3	13.43	13.28	12.50
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	193.58	175.31	175.26	41.1	37.7	38.1	4.71	4.65	4.60
Textile Mill Products	243.28	246.48	254.33	38.8	39.5	41.9	6.27	6.24	6.07
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	276.51	275.60	282.44	39.9	40.0	42.6	6.93	6.89	6.63
Weaving Mills, Cotton	270.27	268.11	282.44	39.0	38.8	42.6	6.93	6.91	6.63
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	283.44	383.04	282.01	40.9	41.2	42.6	6.93	6.87	6.62
Knitting Mills	215.87	222.32	226.73	36.9	38.2	40.2	5.85	5.82	5.64
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	190.96	199.60	211.58	34.1	35.9	39.4	5.60	5.56	5.37
Hosiery, NEC	206.75	220.59	211.46	36.4	38.7	38.8	5.68	5.70	5.45
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	252.97	250.04	261.99	39.9	39.5	42.6	6.34	6.33	6.15
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	269.86	272.41	267.84	41.2	42.3	43.2	6.55	6.44	6.20
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	265.98	272.89	271.15	42.9	44.3	42.7	6.20	6.16	6.35
Yarn & Thread Mills	232.59	236.38	247.35	38.7	39.2	4.25	6.01	6.03	5.82
Apparel & Other Textile Products	179.00	185.63	185.37	35.8	37.2	38.3	5.00	4.99	4.84
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	174.57	189.01	180.44	34.5	36.7	36.6	5.06	5.15	4.93
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	168.98	175.38	178.01	35.5	37.0	38.2	4.76	4.74	4.66
Paper & Allied Products	469.37	471.87	470.21	43.5	44.1	45.3	10.79	10.70	10.38
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	574.21	580.29	562.73	43.9	45.3	45.9	13.08	12.81	12.26
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	339.01	334.52	346.14	43.8	43.5	46.4	7.74	7.69	7.46
Printing & Publishing	310.42	304.57	296.82	38.9	38.7	38.8	7.98	7.87	7.65
Newspapers	272.22	274.92	264.11	33.9	34.8	34.3	8.03	7.90	7.70
Chemicals & Allied Products	377.20	376.57	367.33	41.0	41.2	41.6	9.20	9.14	8.83
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	414.00	426.15	413.22	41.4	42.7	42.6	10.00	9.98	9.70
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	358.23	364.64	350.45	41.8	42.4	43.0	8.57	8.60	8.15
MINING	336.54	342.42	281.74	42.6	43.9	38.7	7.90	7.80	7.28
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	468.86	464.26	427.04	41.9	41.6	41.5	11.19	11.16	10.29
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	194.18	195.88	194.69	32.8	33.2	33.8	5.92	5.90	5.76
Wholesale Trade	291.75	292.89	276.19	38.9	39.0	39.4	7.50	7.51	7.01
Retail Trade	167.86	169.06	168.64	31.2	31.6	32.0	5.38	5.35	5.27
General Merchandise Stores	159174	148.20	147.14	31.2	29.7	30.4	5.12	4.99	4.84
Variety Stores	121.10	116.81	121.45	30.2	30.7	32.3	4.01	3.87	3.76
Food Stores	195.76	195.72	192.40	32.9	33.4	32.5	5.95	5.86	5.92
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	134.77	134.66	121.25	30.7	31.1	29.5	4.39	4.33	4.11
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	186.88	183.54	167.65	35.8	35.5	35.0	5.22	5.17	4.79

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY
October, 1984

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO FALL: In the middle of October, 1984, total employment in the State was estimated to be 2,858,700. That was a net monthly loss of 22,000 workers (-0.8 percent). Two of the three principal employment categories sustained over-the-month decreases. Agricultural employment experienced the largest drop, down seasonally by 14,400 people (-19.0 percent). Moreover, nonagricultural wage and salary employment declined by 9,400 persons (-0.4 percent) from September to October, 1984. On the other hand, "all other" nonagricultural employment enjoyed modest growth of 1,800 workers (+0.6 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES NOTICEABLE DROP: North Carolina's manufacturing employment was estimated to be 811,000 in mid-October of this year. That figure represented a net monthly loss of 4,200 people (-0.5 percent). The durable goods sector, though, did manage to have a very slight gain of 100 workers during a period of low activity. Lumber and wood led the way with the addition of 300 persons (+0.9 percent). That was followed by nonelectrical machinery, up by 200 workers (+0.4 percent) over the month. The nondurable goods sector sustained a rather large net over-the-month decline of 4,300 people (-0.9 percent), the vast majority of whom were in textile mill products, which fell by 4,100 workers (-1.9 percent). The only two gains in nondurable goods occurred in tobacco manufacturing (+500) and rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+200).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN OCTOBER: In the middle of October, 1984, nonmanufacturing employment in the State was estimated to be 1,713,900. That was a good net over-the-month gain of 13,200 workers (+0.8 percent). Three of the seven nonmanufacturing industry groups enjoyed significant monthly growth: construction (+1,800), trade (+3,200), and government (+7,600).

MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING AHEAD OF LAST YEAR: Over the year, Statewide manufacturing employment increased by 1,300 people (+0.2 percent) as several of the industry groups registered impressive gains: electrical machinery (+5,300), nonelectrical machirery (+3,800), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,600), and transportation equipment (+1,300). Since October of 1983, nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina has added 55,300 workers (+3.3 percent) as all seven industry groups experienced growth. The four largest increases were these: trade (+21,200), government (+10,400), service and miscellaneous (+10,200), and construction (+9,200).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT RISES SUBSTANTIALLY OVER THE MONTH: As of the middle of October of this year, total unemployment in the State was estimated to be 208,900. That figure represented a net monthly increase of 15,200 persons (+7.8 percent). As a result, North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment advanced from 6.3 percent in September to 6.8 percent in October. Unemployment conditions are somewhat better than twelve months ago (October, 1983) when there were 210,200 jobless people and the rate was 7.1 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.0 percent in October, 1984, 7.1 percent in September, 1984, and 8.4 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.4 percent this October and September, and 8.8 percent in October of last year.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

October, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Oct. 2/ 1984	Sept. 3/ 1984	Oct. 1983	Sept., 1984		Oct., 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,067,600	3,074,400	2,960,500	- 6,800	- 0.2	+107,100	+3.6
Employment, Total	2,858,700	2,880,700	2,750,300	+22,000	- 0.8	+108,400	+3.9
Agricultural Employment	61,500	75,900	66,100	-14,400	-19.0	- 4,600	-7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,503,400	2,512,800	2,380,500	- 9,400	- 0.4	+122,900	+5.2
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	293,800	292,000	303,700	+ 1,800	+ 0.6	- 9,900	-3.3
Unemployment, Total	208,900	193,700	210,200	+15,200	+ 7.8	- 1,300	-0.6
State Unadjusted Rate	6.8	6.3	7.1	+ 0.5	XXX	- 0.3	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.0	7.1	8.4	- 0.1	XXX	- 1.4	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.4	7.4	8.8	0	XXX	- 1.4	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

2/ Preliminary Estimates.

3/ Revised Estimates.

4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.

5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers increased by 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $7.08 from mid-September to mid-October of this year. Moreover, that figure represented a net yearly climb of 36¢ an hour (+5.4). Unfortunately, the durable goods sector sustained a small net monthly loss of 1¢ an hour (-0.1 percent) to fall to $7.29 in October. Over the year, however, the durable goods segment enjoyed growth of 34¢ an hour (+4.9 percent). Transportation equipment was the durable goods industry that displayed the largest net monthly gain, rising by 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to reach $8.02. Far behind was furniture and fixtures, up by a modest 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $6.38 this October. The nondurable goods sector experienced a respectable net over-the-month gain of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to rise to $6.94 in October, 1984. During the past twelve months, the nondurable goods segment added 35¢ an hour (+5.3 percent). Paper and allied products exhibited a strong net over-the-month surge of 63¢ an hour (+5.9 percent) to jump to $11.38. That was followed by rubber and miscellaneous plastic products, which increased by 27¢ an hour (+3.1 percent) to $8.86 this October. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by $3.62 (+1.3 percent) to $281.08 from the middle of September to the middle of October, 1984. Also, that was $5.56 (+2.0 percent) above one year ago. Average weekly hours rose by 0.4 of an hour over the month to 39.7, which was still 1.3 hours below October of 1983.

CONSUMBER PRICE INDEX UP IN OCTOBER: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers increased to 315.3 from September to October of this year. That was a monthly increase of 0.3 percent plus a yearly gain of 4.2 percent. Apparel and upkeep was the group which experienced the largest over-the-month increase, up by 0.7 percent. Next came transportation and medical care, the cost of each rising by 0.6 percent. Then came entertainment and "other" goods and services, both up by 0.4 percent over the month. Housing was the only category to exhibit an over-the-month decrease, falling by 0.1 percent. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $315.30 in October, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: There were 175,760 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of October 31, 1984. That figure represented a net monthly gain of 18,122 persons (+11.5 percent). Once again the twenty-two to thirty-nine age group was the largest applicant segment with 109,958 or 62.5 percent of the total. A distant second was the forty to fifty-four sector which had 29,486 or 16.8 percent. The fifty-five and over age group, as is usually the case, had the fewest active applicants with 8,709 or only 5.0 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were females with 95,371 or 54.3 percent of the total. Also, the largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, which had 95,150 or 54.1 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of October 31, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

October 31, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	175,760	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	27,607	15.7
22-39	109,958	62.5
40-54	29,486	16.8
55 and Over	8,709	5.0
Sex		
Male	80,389	45.7
Female	95,371	54.3
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	95,150	54.1
Black, not Hispanic	76,043	43.3
Hispanic	1,376	0.8
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,172	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,019	0.6
Eligible Claimant	60,734	34.6
Veteran	30,765	17.5
Handicapped	11,311	6.4
Seasonal Farmworker	3,015	1.7
Welfare	23,501	13.4

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS CONTINUES TO DECLINE IN OCTOBER: There were 22,030 job openings received by the local Job Servic offices across the State during October, 1984. That figure represented a net over-the-month decrease of 3,944 (-15.2 percent). A good percentage of those job openings was filled (83.9 percent or 18,493). Farming, fishing, and forestry was the occupational group with the largest number of job openings received in October with 3,898, the vast majority of which was filled (3,879 or 99.5 percent). Next came the miscellaneous category with 3,341 job openings received and 2,803 or 83.9 percent filled. The service category was right behind with 3,280 job openings received in October and 2,571 or 78.4 percent filled. The occupational group with the fewest job openings received in October was the professional, technical, and managerial category with just 860. Unfortunately, less than half was filled (379 or 44.1 percent). From July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984, there were 118,357 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Most of those job openings were filled(96,099 or 81.2 percent). As of October 31, 1984, there were 15,626 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. The majority of those job openings (9,751 or 62.4 percent) had remained open for thirty days or more and had therefore been classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings in October, 1984, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	October, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Oct. 31, 1984	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	860	379	3,932	1,847	1,401	911
Clerical	2,767	1,660	11,437	7,390	2,367	1,132
Sales	953	563	3,114	1,678	995	593
Service	3,280	2,571	16,194	12,106	2,763	1,751
Domestic	308	263	1,184	1,007	91	60
Other Services	2,972	2,308	15,010	11,099	2,672	1,691
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	3,898	3,879	36,359	35,454	151	108
Processing	1,414	1,347	4,788	4,381	756	552
Machine Trades	1,654	1,300	6,918	5,127	1,404	920
Bench Work	1,085	1,831	8,907	7,668	1,519	1,031
Structural Work	2,778	2,160	13,326	9,609	2,651	1,763
Miscellaneous	3,341	2,803	13,382	10,839	1,619	990
Motor Freight and Trans.	533	347	2,243	1,347	498	286
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,725	2,402	10,821	9,296	1,041	663
Other	83	54	318	196	80	41
Total	22,030	18,493	118,357	96,099	15,626	9,751

1/ July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (Thous.)	September 1984 (Thous.)	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1984	October 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2524.9	2515.9	2468.3	+ 0.4	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	811.0	815.2	809.7	- 0.5	+ 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	320.8	320.7	308.1	+ 0.03	+ 4.1
Lumber & Wood Products	35.4	35.1	35.9	+ 0.9	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.0	13.3	+ 0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.7	8.7	8.5	-	+ 2.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	4.3	0	- 14.0
Furniture & Fixtures	81.7	81.7	81.1	0	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	72.3	72.2	72.7	+ 0.1	- 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.6	36.8	37.2	- 0.5	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.0	30.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	18.9	18.1	0	+ 4.4
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.5	0	+ 12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.7	0	6.4
Primary Metal Industries	10.7	10.7	9.6	0	+ 11.5
Fabricated Metal Products	24.8	24.7	24.3	+ 0.4	+ 2.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.4	8.5	- 1.2	+ 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.6	54.4	50.8	+ 0.4	+ 7.5
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.0	7.8	0	+ 2.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.5	60.8	55.2	- 0.5	+ 9.6
Household Appliances	6.1	6.2	6.1	- 1.6	0
Transportation Equipment	19.2	19.3	17.9	0.5	+ 7.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.0	15.1	15.2	- 0.7	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	490.2	494.5	501.6	- 0.9	- 2.3
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	45.1	44.3	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.0	17.7	16.9	+ 1.7	+ 6.5
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	7.9	- 1.2	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.4	6.7	6.6	- 4.5	- 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	27.3	26.8	26.5	+ 1.9	+ 3.0
Cigarettes	18.6	18.5	18.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.9	7.6	7.6	+ 3.9	+ 3.9
Textile Mill Products	213.7	217.8	228.0	- 1.9	- 6.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.0	60.2	64.4	- 2.0	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.0	31.0	34.6	- 3.2	- 13.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	29.0	29.5	- 0.7	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.9	76.8	80.7	- 1.2	- 5.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.6	23.4	- 1.8	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.0	22.2	22.8	- 0.9	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.8	13.8	15.3	0	- 9.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	7.0	7.0	- 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.3	14.7	0	- 2.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.9	53.5	55.2	- 3.0	- 6.0

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL
INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (Thous.)	September 1984 (Thous.)	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1984	October 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.6	87.0	88.1	- 0.5	- 1.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.8	27.7	27.5	- 3.2	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.9	40.9	41.7	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.3	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.2	0	+ 1.4
Printing & Publishing	23.4	23.6	22.6	- 0.8	+ 3.5
Newspapers	9.1	9.2	8.7	- 1.1	+ 4.6
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.2	37.4	37.8	- 0.5	- 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.3	13.4	13.9	- 0.7	- 4.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	30.0	26.6	+ 0.7	+ 13.5
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	- 16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1713.9	1700.7	1658.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	127.6	125.8	118.4	+ 1.4	+ 7.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	124.1	123.9	122.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.8	63.7	62.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.1	55.0	54.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	539.9	536.7	518.7	+ 0.6	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	126.9	126.4	122.4	+ 0.4	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.8	74.4	71.0	+ 0.5	+ 5.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.1	52.0	51.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Retail Trade	413.0	410.3	396.3	+ 0.7	+ 4.2
General Merchandise Stores	56.8	55.9	54.6	+ 1.6	+ 4.0
Variety Stores	11.7	11.7	11.8	0	- 0.8
Food Stores	66.4	65.9	65.5	+ 0.8	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	104.2	101.6	- 0.1	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	380.9	380.4	370.7	+ 0.1	+ 2.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.9	24.1	21.8	- 0.8	+ 9.6
Personal Services	24.7	24.5	23.0	+ 0.8	+ 7.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.2	10.1	10.1	+ 1.0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	432.8	425.2	422.4	+ 1.8	+ 2.5
Federal	50.3	50.3	50.0	0	+ 0.6
State	129.8	123.6	125.6	+ 5.0	+ 3.3
Education	69.6	63.4	67.2	+ 9.8	+ 3.6
Other	60.2	60.2	58.4	0	+ 3.1
Local	252.7	251.3	246.8	+ 0.6	+ 2.4
Education	141.1	139.2	136.7	+ 1.4	+ 3.2
Other	111.6	112.1	110.1	- 0.4	+ 1.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (thous)	September 1984 (thous)	October 1983 (thous)	September 1984	October 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,494.7	2,469.3	2,439.2	+ 1.0	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	803.0	783.8	802.2	+ 2.4	+ 0.1
DURABLE GOODS	318.6	319.0	305.9	- 0.1	+ 4.2
Lumber & Wood Products	34.9	34.6	35.5	+ 0.9	- 1.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.0	12.9	13.2	+ 0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.6	8.2	0	+ 4.9
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.6	4.1	0	-12.2
Furniture & Fixtures	81.1	81.6	80.5	- 0.6	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	71.9	72.1	72.2	- 0.3	- 0.4
Wood Household Furniture	36.2	36.3	36.8	- 0.3	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.1	30.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.6	17.8	+ 0.5	+ 5.1
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.4	0	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	4.9	4.7	+ 2.0	+ 6.4
Primary Metal Industries	10.7	10.7	9.6	0	+11.5
Fabricated Metal Products	24.4	24.4	23.9	0	+ 2.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.2	8.3	8.4	- 1.2	- 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.8	54.5	51.0	+ 0.6	+ 7.5
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.0	7.8	0	+ 2.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	59.9	60.2	54.7	- 0.5	+ 9.5
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.5	- 1.8	0
Transportation Equipment	19.3	19.3	17.9	0	+ 7.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.8	15.1	15.0	- 2.0	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	484.4	489.2	496.3	- 1.0	- 2.4
Food & Kindred Products	44.2	44.4	43.5	- 0.5	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.0	17.6	16.9	+ 2.3	+ 6.5
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	7.8	- 1.2	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.5	6.7	6.6	- 3.0	- 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.9	24.1	23.5	- 0.8	+ 1.7
Cigarettes	19.0	18.8	18.6	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.8	4.5	4.2	+ 6.7	+14.3
Textile Mill Products	212.8	216.7	227.1	- 1.8	- 6.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.0	60.0	64.4	- 1.7	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.2	31.3	34.8	- 3.5	-13.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	28.7	29.5	+ 0.3	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.7	76.3	80.6	- 0.8	- 6.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.6	23.4	- 1.8	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.0	22.1	22.8	- 0.5	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.9	13.9	15.4	0	- 9.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.9	7.0	0	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.3	14.5	- 1.4	- 2.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.4	53.3	54.7	- 3.6	- 6.0

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (thous)	September 1984 (thous)	October 1983 (thous)	September 1984	October 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.7	86.1	87.2	- 0.5	- 1.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.6	27.3	27.3	- 2.6	- 2.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.7	40.7	41.5	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.3	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.2	0	+ 1.4
Printing & Publishing	23.5	23.9	22.7	- 1.7	+ 3.5
Newspapers	9.1	9.3	8.7	- 2.2	+ 4.6
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.5	37.6	38.1	- 0.3	- 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.6	14.1	- 0.7	- 4.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	29.6	26.5	+ 1.4	+13.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,691.7	1,685.5	1,637.0	+ 0.4	+ 3.3
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	125.0	122.0	115.9	0	+ 7.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.6	123.5	121.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.0	63.4	61.5	- 0.6	+ 2.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.2	55.2	55.0	0	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	532.5	531.4	511.4	+ 0.2	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	123.6	123.5	119.2	+ 0.1	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.8	74.5	71.0	+ 0.4	+ 5.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	48.8	49.0	48.2	- 0.4	+ 1.2
Retail Trade	408.9	407.9	392.2	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
General Merchandise Stores	56.6	56.6	54.4	0	+ 4.0
Variety Stores	11.4	11.8	11.5	- 3.4	- 0.9
Food Stores	65.7	65.2	64.8	+ 0.8	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	103.9	101.6	+ 0.2	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	378.6	376.6	368.6	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.3	23.0	21.3	+ 1.3	+ 9.4
Personal Services	25.1	25.0	23.4	+ 0.4	+ 7.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.1	10.0	0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	423.4	423.6	413.2	-0.04	+ 2.5
Federal	50.7	50.6	50.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
State	125.7	125.3	121.6	+ 0.3	+ 3.4
Education	65.1	64.6	62.9	+ 0.8	+ 3.5
Other	60.6	60.7	58.7	- 0.2	+ 3.2
Local	247.0	247.7	241.3	- 0.3	+ 2.4
Education	134.0	134.8	129.9	- 0.6	+ 3.2
Other	113.0	112.9	111.4	+ 0.1	+ 1.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984	September 1984	October 1983	September 1984	October 1983
MANUFACTURING	649.6	653.9	651.6	- 0.7	- 0.3
DURABLE GOODS	245.0	244.9	235.1	*	+ 4.2
Lumber & Wood Products	30.2	29.9	30.6	+ 1.0	- 1.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.7	7.4	0	+ 4.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.0	3.6	0	-16.7
Furniture & Fixtures	72.9	72.8	72.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	65.2	65.1	65.5	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Wood Household Furniture	33.9	34.0	34.4	- 0.3	- 1.5
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.7	15.7	14.7	0	+ 6.8
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.2	2.0	+ 4.5	+15.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	8.1	7.1	- 1.2	+12.7
Fabricated Metal Products	18.5	18.5	18.0	0	+ 2.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.9	27.8	26.4	+ 0.4	+ 5.7
Special Industry Machinery	5.3	5.2	5.2	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.6	44.8	39.9	- 0.4	+11.8
Household Appliances	5.4	5.5	5.5	- 1.8	- 1.8
Transportation Equipment	15.7	15.8	14.4	- 0.6	+ 9.0
NONDURABLE GOODS	404.6	409.0	416.5	- 1.1	- 2.9
Food & Kindred Products	31.1	31.1	30.7	0	+ 1.3
Meat Products	15.9	15.6	14.9	+ 1.9	+ 6.7
Meat Packing	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.6	1.5	- 6.2	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.4	2.6	2.5	- 7.7	- 4.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.0	22.6	22.4	+ 1.8	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	14.9	14.8	14.7	+ 0.7	+ 1.4
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.5	7.2	7.1	+ 4.2	+ 5.6
Textile Mill Products	189.9	194.0	203.7	- 2.1	- 6.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	53.3	54.5	58.4	- 2.2	- 8.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	28.1	31.4	- 3.2	-13.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.1	26.3	26.8	- 0.8	- 2.6
Knitting Mills	66.5	67.5	71.2	- 1.5	- 6.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.5	19.9	20.6	- 2.0	- 5.3
Hosiery, NEC	20.1	20.3	21.0	- 1.0	- 4.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.7	11.7	13.1	0	-10.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.0	6.1	6.1	- 1.6	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	12.0	12.3	- 0.8	- 3.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.5	49.1	50.9	- 3.3	- 6.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.2	76.6	77.8	- 0.5	- 2.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.1	25.0	25.0	- 3.6	- 3.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.3	35.3	36.0	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	16.9	16.9	17.1	0	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	7.9	0	- 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.6	5.6	0	0
Printing & Publishing	14.1	14.3	13.7	- 1.4	+ 2.9
Newspapers	3.5	3.6	3.3	- 2.8	+ 6.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.8	25.1	25.0	- 1.2	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.5	9.7	9.9	- 2.1	- 4.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.9	24.6	21.4	+ 1.2	+16.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.8	4.7	- 2.6	-21.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

*Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

OCTOBER, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1963
MANUFACTURING	$281.08	$277.46	$275.52	39.7	39.3	41.0	$ 7.08	$ 7.06	$ 6.72
DURABLE GOODS	298.89	295.65	287.04	41.0	40.5	41.3	7.29	7.30	6.95
Lumber & Wood Products	242.79	236.79	236.74	40.6	39.4	41.1	5.98	6.01	5.76
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	233.38	231.15	236.74	40.8	40.2	42.2	5.72	5.75	5.61
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	282.35	259.81	273.64	39.6	36.8	40.6	7.13	7.06	6.74
Furniture & Fixtures	250.73	246.77	243.81	39.3	38.8	40.1	6.38	6.36	6.08
Household Furniture	251.13	245.50	244.22	39.3	38.6	40.3	6.39	6.36	6.06
Wood Household Furniture	245.43	240.58	238.21	40.3	39.7	41.0	6.09	6.06	5.81
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	331.53	330.23	316.92	43.0	42.5	42.2	7.71	7.77	7.51
Structural Clay Products	268.58	275.01	252.88	43.6	44.5	42.5	6.16	6.18	5.95
Primary Metal Industries	345.77	356.33	342.50	42.9	44.1	43.5	8.06	8.08	7.91
Fabricated Metal Products	331.63	325.78	319.82	42.3	41.5	42.7	7.84	7.85	7.49
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	356.12	358.70	336.71	42.7	42.5	42.3	8.34	8.44	7.96
Special Industry Machinery	303.28	312.42	310.70	39.8	41.0	42.1	7.62	7.62	7.38
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	337.84	336.61	332.69	41.1	41.0	41.9	8.22	8.21	7.94
Household Appliances	262.44	278.70	260.71	40.5	42.1	42.6	6.48	6.62	6.12
Transportation Equipment	334.43	324.31	316.58	41.7	41.0	41.6	8.02	7.91	7.61
NONDURABLE GOODS	270.66	266.34	268.87	39.0	38.6	40.8	6.94	6.90	6.59
Food & Kindred Products	251.14	253.34	250.48	39.8	39.4	40.4	6.31	6.43	6.20
Meat Products	202.33	207.69	206.98	37.4	37.9	38.4	5.41	5.48	5.39
Meat Packing	329.13	342.21	314.57	41.4	43.1	40.8	7.95	7.94	7.71
Dairy Products	268.49	266.60	254.10	43.8	43.0	42.0	6.13	6.20	6.05
Grain Mill Products	306.84	301.37	307.78	43.4	43.3	44.8	7.07	6.96	6.87
Bakery Products	283.18	290.65	274.56	41.4	41.7	41.6	6.84	6.97	6.60
Beverages	460.32	469.27	449.82	42.0	42.7	44.1	10.96	10.99	10.20
Tobacco Manufacturers	399.68	407.03	389.26	39.3	39.1	39.2	10.17	10.41	9.93
Cigarettes	503.25	517.23	474.35	37.5	38.2	38.1	13.42	13.54	12.45
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	201.67	193.58	190.68	43.0	41.1	42.0	4.69	4.71	4.54
Textile Mill Products	241.92	241.54	252.74	38.4	38.4	41.5	6.30	6.29	6.09
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	278.18	276.11	281.47	40.2	39.9	42.2	6.92	6.92	6.67
Weaving Mills, Cotton	274.03	270.27	280.06	39.6	39.0	41.8	6.92	6.93	6.70
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	281.93	281.93	282.86	40.8	40.8	42.6	6.91	6.91	6.64
Knitting Mills	213.30	213.74	223.74	36.4	36.6	39.6	5.86	5.84	5.65
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	188.27	190.18	202.92	33.5	33.9	38.0	5.62	5.61	5.34
Hosiery, NEC	209.56	208.82	209.28	36.7	36.7	38.4	5.71	5.69	5.45
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	235.50	239.90	261.61	37.5	38.2	42.4	6.28	6.28	6.17
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	260.55	267.80	268.33	39.9	41.2	42.6	6.53	6.50	6.30
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	262.35	258.05	271.56	40.3	39.7	42.9	6.51	6.50	6.33
Yarn & Thread Mills	224.47	230.57	248.20	37.6	38.3	42.5	5.97	6.02	5.84
Apparel & Other Textile Products	185.63	179.00	185.76	37.2	35.8	38.3	4.99	5.00	4.85
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	175.42	174.06	177.97	34.6	34.4	36.1	5.07	5.06	4.93
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	179.35	168.98	179.03	37.6	35.5	38.5	4.77	4.76	4.65
Paper & Allied Products	508.69	466.55	468.31	44.7	43.4	44.9	11.38	10.75	10.43
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	672.59	574.21	587.19	47.6	43.9	46.9	14.13	13.08	12.52
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	329.30	338.57	338.35	42.6	43.8	45.6	7.73	7.73	7.42
Printing & Publishing	310.81	311.59	283.11	38.9	37.9	37.9	7.99	8.01	7.47
Newspapers	280.60	273.70	264.88	34.9	34.0	34.4	8.04	8.05	7.70
Chemicals & Allied Products	374.54	370.37	366.33	40.8	40.7	41.3	9.18	9.00	8.87
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	423.43	414.00	416.99	41.8	41.4	42.9	10.13	10.00	9.72
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	370.35	359.06	359.45	41.8	41.8	43.1	8.86	8.59	8.34
MINING	352.00	338.12	301.58	44.5	42.8	41.2	7.91	7.90	7.32
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	459.79	458.99	437.96	41.2	41.5	41.2	11.16	11.06	10.63
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	192.40	192.67	191.81	32.5	32.6	33.3	5.92	5.91	5.76
Wholesale Trade	293.49	289.81	274.25	39.5	38.9	38.9	7.43	7.45	7.05
Retail Trade	164.63	166.24	165.38	30.6	30.9	31.5	5.38	5.38	5.25
General Merchandise Stores	143.96	149.78	144.60	29.2	29.6	30.0	4.93	5.06	4.82
Variety Stores	117.87	121.10	119.19	30.3	30.2	31.7	3.89	4.01	3.76
Food Stores	191.54	194.57	186.62	32.3	32.7	31.9	5.93	5.95	5.85
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	133.59	134.64	124.53	30.5	30.6	30.3	4.38	4.40	4.11
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	193.36	188.64	171.82	36.9	36.0	35.5	5.24	5.24	4.84

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

NOVEMBER, 1984

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November, 1984

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's total employment was estimated to be 2,823,900 in mid-November of last year. That figure represented a net over-the-month drop of 33,400 people (-1.2 percent). All three of the main employment sectors suffered monthly reductions: nonagricultural wage and salary employment (-15,400), agricultural employment (-13,500), and "all other" nonagricultural employment (-4,500).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT FALLS IN NOVEMBER: In the middle of November, 1984, manufacturing employment in the State was estimated to be 807,000. That was a net over-the-month decrease of 2,800 workers (-0.3 percent). The durable goods segment, however, did experience a modest net monthly increase of 800 persons (+0.2 percent). Furniture and fixtures (+800) and fabricated metals (+300) enjoyed the largest gains. The nondurable goods segment sustained a net monthly loss of 3,600 workers (-0.7 percent). Most of that drop occurred in tobacco manufacturing with the seasonal layoff of 2,600 people (-9.6 percent) in stemming and redrying. Also, food and kindred products fell by 700 persons over the month (-1.5 percent).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DISPLAYS MODEST GROWTH: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,719,100 in mid-November of last year. That figure represented a net monthly increase of 5,500 people (+0.3 percent). Two of the industry groups experienced substantial net over-the-month gains: government (+5,200) and trade (+3,100).

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: North Carolina's manufacturing employment suffered a small yearly loss of 1,800 workers (-0.2 percent); nevertheless, several of the industry groups recorded good growth: electrical machinery (+4,300), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,300), nonelectrical machinery (+2,700), and printing, publishing, and allied (+1,300). The State's nonmanufacturing employment has risen significantly over the year (+56,800 or +3.4 percent) as once again all seven of the industry groups showed progress. These were the four largest: trade (+21,300), government (+11,900), service and miscellaneous (+11,800), and construction (+7,200).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO INCREASE: North Carolina's total unemployment was estimated to be 212,400 in mid-November, 1984. That was a net over-the-month gain of 3,500 people (+1.7 percent). Consequently, the unadjusted rate of unemployment in the State rose from 6.8 percent in October, 1984, to 7.0 percent in November, 1984. Although there are actually more people unemployed than in November, 1983, when there were 208,800, the rate is lower (-0.1) because there are far more employed persons. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 6.9 percent in November, 1984, 7.0 percent in October, 1984, and 8.1 percent in November of 1983. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.2 percent in November of last year, 7.4 percent in October, 1984, and 8.4 percent in November, 1983.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

November, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	November 2/ 1984	October 3/ 1984	November 1983	October, 1984		November, 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,036,300	3,066,200	2,948,700	-29,900	- 1.0	+ 87,600	+ 3.0
Employment, Total	2,823,900	2,857,300	2,739,900	-33,400	- 1.2	+ 84,000	+ 3.1
Agricultural Employment	48,000	61,500	51,600	-13,500	-22.0	- 3,600	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,486,800	2,502,200	2,385,700	-15,400	- 0.6	+101,100	+ 4.2
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	289,100	293,600	302,600	- 4,500	- 1.5	- 13,500	- 4.5
Unemployment, Total	212,400	208,900	208,800	+ 3,500	+ 1.7	+ 3,600	+ 1.7
State Unadjusted Rate	7.0	6.8	7.1	+ 0.2	XXX	- 0.1	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	6.9	7.0	8.1	- 0.1	XXX	- 1.2	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.2	7.4	8.4	- 0.2	XXX	- 1.2	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2/ Preliminary Estimates.
3/ Revised Estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS INCREASE: From the middle of October to the middle of November, 1984, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by 7¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to $7.15. Also, that was a net over-the-year gain of 35¢ an hour (+5.1 percent). The durable goods segment experienced a more modest net over-the-month increase of 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to hit $7.31 in November, 1984. Since November, 1983, the durable goods sector has added 29¢ an hour (+4.1 percent). The durable goods industry that enjoyed the largest net over-the-month rise was electrical machinery, up by 14¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to $8.35. Transportation equipment followed with a net monthly gain of 9¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to reach $8.11 in November of last year. The nondurable goods segment exhibited an impressive net monthly jump of 11¢ an hour (+1.6 percent) to attain a level of $7.05 in November, 1984. Over the year, the nondurable goods sector has grown by 38¢ an hour (+5.7 percent). Tobacco manufacturing led the way in nondurables with a net monthly surge of $2.37 an hour (+23.2 percent) to rise to $12.60. (That large increase in the average was the result of the seasonal layoff of lower paid stemming and redrying workers.) Food and kindred products was a distant second with a good net over-the-month gain of 15¢ an hour (+2.4 percent) to arrive at $6.45 in November, 1984. From mid-October to mid-November, 1984, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers increased by $3.51 (+1.2 percent) to $285.29. Furthermore, that was $6.49 (+2.3 percent) more than November of 1983. Average weekly hours stood at 39.9 in November, 1984, up by 0.1 of an hour over the month but well below (-1.1) November, 1983.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX REMAINS THE SAME OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers stayed constant at 315.3 from October to November of 1984, according to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. However, there was an over-the-year increase of 4.0 percent. Several of the main categories enjoyed monthly declines: apparel and upkeep (-0.2 percent), food and beverages (-0.1 percent), and housing (-0.1 percent). The group that sustained the largest over-the-month increase was medical care, the cost of which rose by 0.5 percent. That was followed by entertainment, up by 0.3 percent over the month. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, was 31.7¢ in November, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES IN NOVEMBER: As of November, 30, 1984, there were 167,986 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State. That was a net over-the-month decrease of 7,774 people (-4.4 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine which had 104,301 or 62.1 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four segment was next with 28,821 or 17.2 percent. As is invariably the case, the fifty-five and over sector had the lowest number of active applicants with 8,648 or 5.1 percent of the total. Females comprised the majority of the active applicants with 88,492 or 52.7 percent of the total. Also, most of the active applicants were white, not Hispanic, with a count of 93,322 or 55.5 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of November 30, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

November 30, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	167,986	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,216	15.6
22-39	104,301	62.1
40-54	28,821	17.2
55 and Over	8,648	5.1
Sex		
Male	79,494	47.3
Female	88,492	52.7
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	93,322	55.5
Black, not Hispanic	70,704	42.1
Hispanic	993	0.6
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,150	1.3
Other Races and Undetermined	817	0.5
Eligible Claimant	63,899	38.0
Veteran	31,273	18.6
Handicapped	10,921	6.5
Welfare	24,178	14.4
Seasonal Farmworker	2,119	1.3

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS DROPS OVER THE MONTH: During November, 1984, there were 15,973 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. That was a net monthly decline of 6,057 (-27.5 percent). A high numberof those job openings was filled (13,263 or 83.0 percent). The occupational category with the largest number of job openings received in November was service with 2,572. Most of those were filled (2,150 or 83.6 percent). A close second was structual work with 2,547 job openings received and 2,143 or 84.1 percent filled. Following that came the miscellaneous group with 2,397 job openings received in November and 2,060 or 85.9 percent filled. Processing was the occupational category with the smallest number of job openings received in November with 671, all of which were filled. There were 134,330 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984, through November 30, 1984. A good percentage of those job openings was filled (81.4 percent or 109,362). There were 13,590 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of November 30, 1984. Most of those job openings (9,238 or 68.0 percent) had been classified as hard-to-fill because they had remained open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on North Carolina's job openings for November, 1984, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through November 30, 1984).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	November, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) as of Nov. 30, 1984	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	761	267	4,693	2,114	1,403	883
Clerical	1,592	1,270	13,029	8,660	1,859	1,092
Sales	840	582	3,954	2,260	817	538
Service	2,572	2,150	18,766	14,256	2,353	1,629
Domestic	249	206	1,433	1,213	97	70
Other Services	2,323	1,944	17,333	13,043	2,256	1,559
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	1,713	1,761	38,072	37,215	206	116
Processing	671	721	5,459	5,102	555	466
Machine Trades	1,266	995	8,184	6,122	1,192	802
Bench Work	1,614	1,314	10,521	8,982	1,543	1,178
Structural Work	2,547	2,143	15,873	11,752	2,216	1,594
Miscellaneous	2,397	2,060	15,779	12,899	1,446	940
Motor Freight and Trans.	575	405	2,818	1,752	450	269
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	1,766	1,623	12,587	10,919	917	619
Other	56	32	374	228	79	52
Total	15,973	13,263	134,330	109,362	13,590	9,238

1/ July 1, 1984, through November 30, 1984.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1984 (Thous.)	October 1984 (Thous.)	November 1983 (Thous.)	October 1984	November 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2526.1	2523.4	2471.1	+ 0.1	+ 2.2
MANUFACTURING	807.0	809.8	808.8	- 0.3	- 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	321.0	320.2	310.0	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Lumber & Wood Products	35.1	35.2	35.9	- 0.3	- 2.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.2	13.2	- 0.8	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.5	8.6	8.6	- 1.2	- 1.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	4.1	0	- 9.8
Furniture & Fixtures	82.6	81.8	81.7	+ 1.0	+ 1.1
Household Furniture	73.0	72.3	73.0	+ 1.0	0
Wood Household Furniture	36.9	36.7	37.3	+ 0.5	- 1.1
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.2	30.8	0	+ 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.8	18.8	18.1	0	+ 3.9
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.8	2.5	- 3.6	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.8	0	+ 4.2
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.7	9.6	+ 0.9	+ 12.5
Fabricated Metal Products	25.0	24.7	24.2	+ 1.2	+ 3.3
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.3	8.4	+ 2.4	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.0	54.3	51.3	- 0.6	+ 5.3
Special Industry Machinery	7.9	8.0	7.9	- 1.3	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.4	60.5	56.1	- 0.2	+ 7.7
Household Appliances	6.1	6.2	6.1	- 1.6	0
Transportation Equipment	19.1	19.2	18.1	- 0.5	+ 5.5
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.2	15.0	15.0	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	486.0	489.6	498.8	- 0.7	- 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	44.7	45.4	43.9	- 1.5	+ 1.8
Meat Products	18.0	18.2	16.7	- 1.1	+ 7.8
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	3.6	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	1.3
Beverages	6.4	6.4	6.6	0	- 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.6	27.2	24.1	- 9.6	+ 2.1
Cigarettes	18.7	18.6	18.7	+ 0.5	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.2	7.9	4.7	- 34.2	+ 10.6
Textile Mill Products	212.8	212.4	227.6	+ 0.2	- 6.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	58.4	58.5	64.1	- 0.2	- 8.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.7	29.5	34.7	+ 0.7	- 14.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.5	28.3	29.2	- 1.0	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.5	75.5	80.9	0	- 6.7
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.1	23.6	+ 0.9	- 5.5
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.8	22.8	- 0.9	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.6	13.7	15.3	- 0.7	- 11.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.0	7.0	7.0	0	0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	14.2	14.6	0	- 2.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.9	51.6	54.9	+ 0.6	- 5.5

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November, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1984 (Thous.)	October 1984 (Thous.)	November 1983 (Thous.)	October 1984	November 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.0	86.5	88.3	- 0.6	- 2.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.6	26.9	27.7	- 1.1	- 4.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.3	40.9	41.9	- 1.5	- 3.8
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.0	0	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.6	10.3	+ 0.9	+ 3.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.2	7.3	7.3	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	24.2	23.8	22.9	+ 1.7	+ 5.7
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	8.7	+ 1.1	+ 6.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	37.3	37.7	- 1.3	- 2.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.0	13.2	14.1	- 1.5	- 7.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	30.2	26.9	0	+ 12.3
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.5	5.4	- 2.2	- 18.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1719.1	1713.6	1662.3	+ 0.3	+ 3.4
MINING	4.6	4.5	4.4	+ 2.2	+ 4.5
CONSTRUCTION	126.7	127.5	119.5	- 0.6	+ 6.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.3	123.8	121.6	- 0.4	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.3	63.8	61.6	- 0.8	+ 2.8
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.8	54.9	54.9	- 0.2	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	543.6	540.5	522.3	+ 0.6	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	125.2	127.0	122.0	- 1.4	+ 2.6
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	75.2	74.8	71.5	+ 0.5	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	50.0	52.2	50.5	- 4.2	- 1.0
Retail Trade	418.4	413.5	400.3	+ 1.2	+ 4.5
General Merchandise Stores	60.9	57.1	57.3	+ 6.7	+ 6.3
Variety Stores	12.0	11.8	12.2	+ 1.7	- 1.6
Food Stores	66.3	66.5	65.5	- 0.3	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.3	104.3	101.6	0	+ 2.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	379.2	380.8	367.4	- 0.4	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.2	23.9	21.1	- 2.9	+ 10.0
Personal Services	25.0	24.8	23.0	+ 0.8	+ 8.7
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.3	10.2	10.0	+ 1.0	+ 3.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	437.4	432.2	425.5	+ 1.2	+ 2.8
Federal	50.4	50.3	50.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
State	132.0	129.4	127.4	+ 2.0	+ 3.6
Education	72.3	69.3	69.3	+ 4.3	+ 4.3
Other	59.7	60.1	58.1	- 0.7	+ 2.8
Local	255.0	252.5	248.0	+ 1.0	+ 2.8
Education	141.5	140.9	137.5	+ 0.4	+ 2.9
Other	113.5	111.6	110.5	+ 1.7	+ 2.7

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1984
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1984 (thous)	October 1984 (thous)	November 1983 (thous)	October 1984	November 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,501.0	2,493.4	2,446.6	+ 0.3	+ 2.2
MANUFACTURING	802.4	802.0	804.2	+0.05	- 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	318.9	318.0	308.0	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
Lumber & Wood Products	34.9	34.7	35.7	+ 0.6	- 2.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.1	13.2	0	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.4	8.5	8.2	- 1.2	+ 2.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.6	4.1	+ 2.8	- 9.8
Furniture & Fixtures	81.6	81.2	80.7	+ 0.5	+ 1.1
Household Furniture	72.3	71.9	72.3	+ 0.6	0
Wood Household Furniture	36.8	36.3	37.1	+ 1.4	- 0.8
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.0	31.2	30.6	- 0.6	+ 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.6	18.6	18.0	0	+ 3.3
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.7	2.4	- 3.7	+ 8.3
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.8	0	+ 4.2
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.7	9.6	+ 0.9	+12.5
Fabricated Metal Products	24.7	24.3	23.9	+ 1.6	+ 3.3
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.2	8.3	+ 2.4	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	53.9	54.5	51.2	- 1.1	+ 5.3
Special Industry Machinery	7.9	8.0	7.9	- 1.2	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.1	59.9	55.8	+ 0.3	+ 7.7
Household Appliances	5.8	5.6	5.8	+ 3.6	0
Transportation Equipment	19.2	19.3	18.2	- 0.5	+ 5.5
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.1	14.8	14.9	+ 2.0	+ 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.5	484.0	496.2	- 0.1	- 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.6	43.5	- 0.7	+ 1.8
Meat Products	17.9	18.2	16.6	- 1.6	+ 7.8
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.7	0	- 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.1	23.9	22.6	- 3.3	+ 2.2
Cigarettes	18.6	19.0	18.6	- 2.1	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.5	4.8	3.2	-27.1	+ 9.4
Textile Mill Products	212.6	211.6	227.4	+ 0.5	- 6.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	58.2	58.5	63.8	- 0.5	- 8.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.6	29.7	34.5	- 0.3	-14.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.5	28.8	29.2	- 1.0	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.7	75.3	81.1	+ 0.5	- 6.7
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.1	23.5	+ 0.9	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.8	22.8	- 0.9	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.6	13.8	15.3	- 1.4	-11.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.1	7.0	7.1	+ 1.4	0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.0	14.5	+ 0.7	- 2.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.8	51.1	54.8	+ 1.4	- 5.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1984
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1984 (thous)	October 1984 (thous)	November 1983 (thous)	October 1984	November 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.3	85.6	87.6	- 0.4	- 2.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.3	26.7	27.4	- 1.5	- 4.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.1	40.7	41.7	- 1.5	- 3.8
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.0	0	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.6	10.4	+ 1.9	+ 3.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.2	7.3	7.3	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	24.2	23.9	22.8	+ 1.3	+ 6.1
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	8.7	+ 1.1	+ 6.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.1	37.6	38.0	- 1.3	- 2.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.0	13.4	14.1	- 3.0	- 7.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	30.0	26.9	+ 0.7	+12.3
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.5	5.4	- 2.2	-18.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1,698.6	1,691.4	1,642.4	+ 0.4	+ 3.4
MINING	4.6	4.5	4.4	+ 2.2	+ 4.5
CONSTRUCTION	124.6	124.9	117.5	- 0.2	+ 6.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	122.9	123.3	121.2	- 0.3	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	62.9	63.0	61.1	- 0.2	+ 2.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.0	55.0	55.1	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	535.7	533.1	514.8	+ 0.5	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	124.3	123.7	121.1	+ 0.5	+ 2.6
Wholesale Trade—Durable Goods	75.1	74.8	71.4	+ 0.4	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade—Nondurable Goods	49.2	48.9	49.7	+ 0.6	- 1.0
Retail Trade	411.4	409.4	393.7	+ 0.5	+ 4.5
General Merchandise Stores	58.0	56.9	54.6	+ 1.9	+ 6.2
Variety Stores	11.4	11.5	11.6	- 0.9	- 1.7
Food Stores	66.0	65.8	65.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.5	104.3	101.8	+ 0.2	+ 2.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	381.5	378.5	369.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.0	23.3	21.9	+ 3.0	+ 9.6
Personal Services	25.4	25.2	23.3	+ 0.8	+ 9.0
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.2	10.1	9.9	+ 1.0	+ 3.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	424.8	422.8	413.1	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
Federal	50.9	50.7	50.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
State	125.5	125.3	121.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Education	65.1	64.8	62.4	+ 0.5	+ 4.3
Other	60.4	60.5	58.8	- 0.2	+ 2.7
Local	248.4	246.8	241.4	+ 0.6	+ 2.9
Education	133.6	133.8	129.8	- 0.1	+ 2.9
Other	114.8	113.0	111.6	+ 1.6	+ 2.9

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

NOVEMBER, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1984	October 1984	November 1983	October 1984	November 1983
MANUFACTURING	645.4	648.6	650.4	- 0.5	- 0.8
DURABLE GOODS	244.8	244.5	237.0	+ 0.1	+ 3.3
Lumber & Wood Products	30.0	30.1	30.6	- 0.3	- 2.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.5	7.6	7.5	- 1.3	0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.0	3.5	0	- 14.3
Furniture & Fixtures	73.8	72.9	73.0	+ 1.2	+ 1.1
Household Furniture	65.9	65.2	66.0	+ 1.1	- 0.2
Wood Household Furniture	34.2	33.9	34.5	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.6	15.6	14.7	0	+ 6.1
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	2.0	0	+ 10.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.1	8.0	7.1	+ 1.2	+ 14.1
Fabricated Metal Products	18.7	18.4	18.1	+ 1.6	+ 3.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.1	27.6	26.8	- 1.8	+ 1.1
Special Industry Machinery	5.1	5.3	5.3	- 3.8	- 3.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.3	44.6	40.6	- 0.7	+ 9.1
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.5	- 1.8	0
Transportation Equipment	15.6	15.8	14.6	- 1.3	+ 6.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	400.6	404.1	413.4	- 0.9	- 3.1
Food & Kindred Products	30.9	31.5	30.3	- 1.9	+ 2.0
Meat Products	15.8	16.0	14.7	- 1.2	+ 7.5
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.9	0	0
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.7	1.7	- 5.9	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.6	4.6	4.5	0	+ 2.2
Beverages	2.3	2.4	2.5	- 4.2	- 8.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.0	23.0	19.6	- 13.0	+ 2.0
Cigarettes	15.0	14.9	15.1	+ 0.7	- 0.7
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	7.5	4.0	- 40.0	+ 12.5
Textile Mill Products	189.1	188.6	203.4	+ 0.3	- 7.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	52.7	52.8	58.2	- 0.2	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.8	26.7	31.6	+ 0.4	- 15.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.8	26.1	26.4	- 1.1	- 2.3
Knitting Mills	66.2	66.2	71.4	0	- 7.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.6	19.4	20.9	+ 1.0	- 6.2
Hosiery, NEC	19.7	20.0	20.9	- 1.5	- 5.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.5	11.6	13.1	- 0.9	- 12.2
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	6.1	6.2	0	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.8	11.8	12.2	0	- 3.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.6	47.2	50.5	+ 0.8	- 5.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.8	76.2	78.0	- 0.5	- 2.8
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.0	24.2	25.1	- 0.8	- 4.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.8	35.3	36.2	- 1.4	- 3.9
Paper & Allied Products	16.9	16.9	16.7	0	+ 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	7.5	0	+ 4.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.6	5.7	0	- 1.8
Printing & Publishing	14.8	14.4	14.0	+ 2.8	+ 5.7
Newspapers	3.7	3.5	3.4	+ 5.7	+ 8.8
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.5	24.9	25.0	- 1.6	- 2.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.3	9.5	10.1	- 2.1	- 7.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.9	24.9	21.7	9	+ 14.7
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.7	4.7	0	- 21.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

NOVEMBER, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1984	Nov. 1983	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1984	Nov. 1983	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1984	Nov. 1983
MANUFACTURING	$ 285.29	$ 281.78	$ 278.80	39.9	39.8	41.0	$ 7.15	$ 7.08	$ 6.80
DURABLE GOODS	301.90	299.62	289.22	41.3	41.1	41.2	7.31	7.29	7.02
Lumber & Wood Products	245.43	244.20	238.30	40.5	40.7	41.3	6.06	6.00	5.77
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	236.78	235.42	234.48	40.2	40.8	41.5	5.89	5.77	5.65
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	276.21	277.29	274.70	39.8	39.5	41.0	6.94	7.02	6.70
Furniture & Fixtures	252.00	251.54	240.37	40.0	29.8	39.6	6.30	6.32	6.07
Household Furniture	251.60	251.14	239.58	40.0	39.8	39.6	6.29	6.31	6.05
Wood Household Furniture	248.27	241.79	238.45	40.7	39.9	40.9	6.10	6.06	5.83
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	326.40	330.33	315.84	42.5	42.9	42.0	7.68	7.70	7.52
Structural Clay Products	285.84	275.10	255.58	45.3	44.3	43.1	6.31	6.21	5.93
Primary Metal Industries	351.60	344.92	336.18	43.3	42.9	43.1	8.12	8.04	7.80
Fabricated Metal Products	330.36	331.27	312.75	42.3	42.2	41.7	7.81	7.85	7.50
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	367.69	357.83	337.93	44.3	42.7	42.4	8.30	8.38	7.97
Special Industry Machinery	305.92	308.25	303.23	40.2	40.4	41.2	7.61	7.63	7.36
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	339.85	338.25	348.89	40.7	41.2	42.6	8.35	8.21	8.19
Household Appliances	269.18	270.85	273.05	40.6	41.1	43.0	6.63	6.59	6.35
Transportation Equipment	347.92	338.44	321.68	42.9	42.2	41.4	8.11	8.02	7.77
NONDURABLE GOODS	274.95	270.66	272.80	39.0	39.0	40.9	7.05	6.94	6.67
Food & Kindred Products	249.62	250.11	244.61	38.7	39.7	39.2	6.45	6.30	6.24
Meat Products	193.99	201.75	203.08	35.4	37.5	37.4	5.48	5.38	5.43
Meat Packing	331.01	323.57	361.05	43.9	42.8	44.3	7.54	7.56	8.15
Dairy Products	268.46	258.58	250.43	43.3	42.6	41.6	6.20	6.07	6.02
Grain Mill Products	307.69	302.93	295.17	44.4	43.4	43.6	6.93	6.98	6.77
Bakery Products	301.74	281.11	271.26	42.8	40.8	41.1	7.05	6.89	6.60
Beverages	485.90	464.95	438.60	45.2	42.5	42.5	10.75	10.94	10.32
Tobacco Manufacturers	505.26	403.06	477.43	40.1	39.4	41.3	12.60	10.23	11.56
Cigarettes	618.34	506.40	553.78	43.0	37.4	42.5	14.38	13.54	13.03
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	151.04	203.51	170.48	30.7	43.3	36.9	4.92	4.70	4.62
Textile Mill Products	242.41	241.40	254.59	38.6	38.5	41.6	6.28	6.27	6.12
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	272.35	278.47	278.14	39.3	40.3	41.7	6.93	6.91	6.67
Weaving Mills, Cotton	270.48	276.69	271.06	39.2	40.1	40.7	6.90	6.90	6.66
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	274.92	279.86	285.90	39.5	40.5	42.8	6.96	6.91	6.68
Knitting Mills	216.66	214.97	226.00	37.1	37.0	40.0	5.24	5.81	5.65
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	214.50	198.39	210.00	37.5	35.3	39.4	5.72	5.62	5.33
Hosiery, NEC	197.40	207.92	213.88	35.0	36.8	39.1	5.64	5.65	5.47
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	238.61	233.63	261.46	38.3	37.5	41.9	6.23	6.23	6.24
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	273.31	262.20	264.80	41.6	40.4	42.3	6.57	6.49	6.26
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	272.61	254.66	271.99	42.2	39.3	42.3	6.46	6.48	6.43
Yarn & Thread Mills	226.04	225.22	248.30	37.8	37.6	42.3	5.98	5.99	5.87
Apparel & Other Textile Products	184.87	185.37	187.50	36.9	37.0	48.5	5.01	5.01	4.87
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	179.55	177.61	184.87	35.0	35.1	36.9	5.13	5.06	5.01
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	176.97	178.56	180.65	37.1	37.2	38.6	4.77	4.80	4.68
Paper & Allied Products	483.07	505.35	460.68	44.4	45.0	44.0	10.88	11.23	10.47
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	614.71	672.59	574.27	45.5	47.6	44.9	13.51	14.13	12.79
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	339.24	331.25	331.52	44.0	43.3	44.8	7.71	7.65	7.40
Printing & Publishing	316.81	309.27	285.25	39.8	39.0	38.6	7.96	7.93	7.39
Newspapers	280.26	279.20	268.66	34.6	34.3	34.8	8.10	8.14	7.72
Chemicals & Allied Products	381.82	382.44	368.87	41.1	41.3	41.4	9.29	9.26	8.91
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	446.26	443.98	414.38	43.2	43.4	42.5	10.33	10.23	9.75
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	376.20	370.71	359.86	41.8	41.7	43.2	9.00	8.89	8.33
MINING	364.19	368.61	296.27	46.1	46.6	40.2	7.90	7.91	7.37
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	465.50	458.58	447.07	41.6	41.5	41.9	11.19	11.05	10.67
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	191.86	192.40	191.98	32.3	32.5	33.1	5.94	5.92	5.80
Wholesale Trade	299.02	293.92	280.53	39.5	39.4	39.4	7.57	7.46	7.12
Retail Trade	163.79	164.63	164.74	30.5	30.6	31.2	5.37	5.38	5.28
General Merchandise Stores	143.70	146.41	141.97	28.4	29.4	29.7	5.06	4.98	4.78
Variety Stores	116.31	118.95	116.18	29.9	30.5	31.4	3.89	3.90	3.70
Food Stores	188.69	190.89	187.80	32.2	32.3	31.3	5.86	5.91	6.00
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	136.44	137.41	122.66	30.8	31.3	29.7	4.43	4.39	4.13
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	191.83	196.79	172.04	36.4	37.2	35.4	5.27	5.29	4.86

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
December, 1984

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO FALL: In mid-December of 1984, total employment in the State was estimated to be 2,812,400. That was a net monthly decline of 12,000 workers (-0.4 percent). Two of the three principal employment categories sustained over-the-month losses: nonagricultural wage and salary employment (-3,900) and agricultural employment (-8,200). The "all other" nonagricultural employment sector stayed the same at 289,300.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DOWN OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's manufacturing employment was estimated to be 804,500 in mid-December of last year, a net monthly drop of 2,300 people (-0.3 percent). The durable goods sector, however enjoyed a noticeable net over-the-month gain of 800 workers (+0.2 percent), due mainly to the addition of 900 persons (+1.7 percent) in nonelectrical machinery. The nondurable goods sector suffered a net over-the-month decrease of 3,100 people (-0.6 percent) with significant losses occurring in the textile mill products (-1,700) and in the apparel and related products (-1,100) industries.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EDGES FORWARD: In the middle of December, 1984, the State's nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,720,000. That was a very slight net over-the-month rise of 300 workers. The gains and losses just about offset one another. Here are the respective leaders: trade (+6,500), government (-3,500), and service and miscellaneous (-1,800).

MANUFACTURING FALLS AND NONMANUFACTURING RISES SINCE LAST YEAR: Statewide manufacturing employment fell by 3,900 persons (-0.5 percent) from December, 1983, to December, 1984. Even with that measurable decline, a number of the industry groups experienced positive movement; namely, electrical machinery (+4,300), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,100), nonelectrical machinery (+2,800), and food and kindred products (+1,600). North Carolina's nonmanufacturing in December, 1984, was well ahead of a year ago (+52,600 or 3.2 percent) as six of the seven industry groups recorded good growth. The four largest were trade (+19,800), service and miscellaneous (+11,900), government (+10,700), and construction (+6,800).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT UP OVER THE MONTH: During the mid-week of December, 1984, total unemployment in the State was estimated to be 216,800. That figure represented a net monthly increase of 4,300 persons (+2.0 percent). As a result, North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment climbed from 7.0 percent in November, 1984, to 7.2 percent in December, 1984. In December, 1983, there were 200,500 jobless people and the rate was 6.8 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.0 percent in December, 1984, 6.9 percent in November, 1984, and 8.0 percent in December, 1983. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.2 percent in December and November, 1984, and 8.2 percent in December of 1983.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

December, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Dec. 2/ 1984	Nov. 3/ 1984	Dec. 1983	Nov., 1984		Dec., 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,029,200	3,036,900	2,935,500	- 7,700	- 0.3	+93,700	+3.2
Employment, Total	2,812,400	2,824,400	2,735,000	-12,000	- 0.4	+77,400	+2.8
Agricultural Employment	39,800	48,000	42,800	- 8,200	-17.1	- 3,000	-7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,483,300	2,487,100	2,393,400	- 3,900	- 0.2	+89,900	+3.8
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	289,300	289,300	298,800	0	0	- 9,500	-3.2
Unemployment, Total	216,800	212,500	200,500	+ 4,300	+ 2.0	+16,300	+8.1
State Unadjusted Rate	7.2	7.0	6.8	+ 0.2	XXX	+ 0.4	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.0	6.9	8.0	+ 0.1	XXX	- 1.0	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.2	7.2	8.2	0	XXX	- 1.0	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

2/ Preliminary Estimates.

3/ Revised Estimates.

4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.

5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers inched forward by 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to $7.16 from mid-November to mid-December of 1984, reflecting a net yearly increase of 33¢ an hour (+4.8 percent). The durable goods sector enjoyed a more impressive net monthly gain of 10¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to rise to $7.40 in December of last year. Since December of 1983, the durable goods segment has advanced by 30¢ an hour (+4.2 percent). Electrical machinery led the way in durable goods with a net monthly increase of 28¢ an hour (+3.3 percent) to reach $8.65 in December, 1984. Primary metals was right behind with a net over-the-month jump of 27¢ an hour (+3.3 percent) to hit $8.38. The nondurable goods sector sustained a small net over-the-month loss of 4¢ an hour (-0.6 percent) to fall to $7.00 in December of 1984. Over the year, however, the nondurable goods segment added 33¢ an hour (+4.9 percent). The nondurable goods industry that experienced the largest net over-the-month increase was food and kindred products, up by 11¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to $6.55. That was followed by rubber and miscellaneous plastic products with a net monthly growth of 7¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) for a December, 1984, lead of $9.03. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by $2.55 (+0.9 percent) to $287.12 from the middle of November to the middle of December, 1984. The over-the-year increase amounted to $7.77 (+2.8 percent). In December, 1984, average weekly hours worked were 40.1, a monthly rise of 0.3 of an hour but a yearly loss of 0.8 of an hour.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP SLIGHTLY IN DECEMBER: According to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 315.5 in December, 1984. That figure represented a monthly increase of just 0.1 percent and a yearly gain of 4.0 percent. The cost of entertainment rose the most over the month, up by 0.4 percent. Food and beverages and medical care tied for second, each increasing by 0.3 percent. On the other hand, apparel and upkeep experienced a substantial decrease, falling by 1.0 percent, and transportation declined by 0.1 percent from November to December of last year. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $315.50 in December, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DROPS OVER THE MONTH: There were 157,838 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of December 31, 1984. That figure represents a net monthly decline of 10,148 persons (-6.0 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine segment was by far the largest applicant group by age with 97,625 or 61.8 percent of the total. That was followed by the forty to fifty-four sector which had 28,029 or 17.8 percent. As expected, the fifty-five and over segment had the fewest active applicants with 8,581 or 5.4 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were females, numbering 80,941 or 51.3 percent of the total. Moreover, the largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, with 88,110 or 55.8 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of December 31, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

December 31, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	157,838	100.0
AGE		
21 and Under	23,603	15.0
22-39	97,625	61.8
40-54	28,029	17.8
55 and Over	8,581	5.4
SEX		
Male	76,897	48.7
Female	80,941	51.3
ETHNIC GROUP		
White, not Hispanic	88,110	55.8
Black, not Hispanic	66,114	41.9
Hispanic	771	0.5
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,082	1.3
Other Races and Undetermined	761	0.5
ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT	67,132	42.5
VETERAN	31,797	20.1
HANDICAPPED	10,735	6.8
WELFARE	24,655	15.6
SEASONAL FARMWORKER	1,366	0.9

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS DECREASES IN DECEMBER: There were 12,090 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during December of 1984. The number of job openings represented a net over-the-month drop of 3,883 (-24.3 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (9,745 or 80.6 percent). Once again the service category was the occupational group with the largest number of job openings received with 2,123. A good percentage of those was filled (73.0 percent or 1,549). Structural works followed with 1,971 job openings received and

1,589 or 80.6 percent filled. Next came the miscellaneous category which had job openings numbering 1,836 received in December of 1984 with 1,617 or 88.1 percent filled. For the second consecutive month, the occupational group with the fewest job openings received was processing with just 443; however, all of them were filled. From July 1, 1984, through December 31, 1984, there were 146,420 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. The vast majority of those job openings was filled (119,107 or 81.3 percent). As of December 31, 1984, there were 12,575 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. A high percentage (71.3 percent or 8,965) of those job openings had remained open for thirty days or more and, therefore, had been classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings for December, 1984, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through December 31, 1984).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	December, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Dec. 31, 1984	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days Or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	614	241	5,307	2,355	1,453	1,074
Clerical	1,700	1,087	14,729	9,747	1,841	1,143
Sales	649	484	4,603	2,744	693	487
Service	2,123	1,549	20,889	15,805	2,213	1,453
Domestic	204	181	1,637	1,394	84	60
Other Services	1,919	1,368	19,252	14,411	2,129	1,393
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	962	1,074	39,034	38,289	150	93
Processing	443	475	5,902	5,577	443	367
Machine Trades	720	550	8,904	6,672	1,081	800
Bench Work	1,072	1,079	11,593	10,061	1,335	1,128
Structural Work	1,971	1,589	17,844	13,341	2,014	1,505
Miscellaneous	1,836	1,617	17,615	14,516	1,352	915
Motor Freight and Trans.	460	379	3,278	2,131	382	261
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,329	1,205	13,916	12,124	911	617
Other	47	33	421	261	59	37
TOTAL	12,090	9,745	146,420	119,107	12,575	8,965

1/ July 1, 1984, through December 31, 1984.

RELEASE OF JANUARY LABOR FORCE DATA: Effective with data for January, 1985, labor force estimates for North Carolina will be derived directly from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS, which is conducted by the U. S. Bureau of the Census for the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, is a household survey which generates monthly labor force data for the nation and the largest states. With the inclusion of North Carolina next month, the CPS will provide monthly estimates for 11 states.

Due to the significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates for North Carolina, data beginning in January, 1985, will not be comparable with previously published series.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1984 (Thous)	November 1984 (Thous)	December 1983 (Thous)	November 1984	December 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2524.5	2526.5	2475.8	- 0.1	+ 2.0
MANUFACTURING	804.5	806.8	808.4	- 0.3	- 0.5
DURABLE GOODS	321.7	320.9	311.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.4
Lumber & Wood Products	35.0	35.2	35.5	- 0.6	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.2	13.2	- 0.8	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.5	8.5	8.6	0	- 1.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.6	3.9	0	- 7.7
Furniture & Fixtures	82.6	82.8	82.4	- 0.2	+ 0.2
Household Furniture	72.9	73.1	73.6	- 0.3	- 1.0
Wood Household Furniture	36.3	36.9	37.4	- 1.6	- 2.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.5	31.3	31.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.6	18.8	18.1	- 1.1	+ 2.8
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.5	0	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.8	0	+ 4.2
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.8	9.7	0	+11.3
Fabricated Metal Products	25.1	25.0	24.0	+ 0.4	+ 4.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.5	8.2	- 1.2	+ 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.9	54.0	52.1	+ 1.7	+ 5.4
Special Industry Machinery	7.8	7.9	8.0	- 1.3	- 2.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.7	60.6	56.4	+ 0.2	+ 7.6
Household Appliances	6.1	6.1	5.8	0	+ 5.2
Transportation Equipment	19.1	19.0	18.3	+ 0.5	+ 4.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	14.7	14.7	+ 1.4	+ 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	482.8	485.9	497.2	- 0.6	- 2.9
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	44.8	43.4	+ 0.4	+ 3.7
Meat Products	18.1	18.1	16.9	0	+ 7.1
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.5	2.5	- 4.0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.5	6.4	6.6	+ 1.6	- 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.1	24.6	23.0	- 2.0	+ 4.8
Cigarettes	18.8	18.7	18.4	+ 0.5	+ 2.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.6	5.2	3.9	-11.5	+17.9
Textile Mill Products	210.8	212.5	227.6	- 0.8	- 7.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	57.6	58.5	63.8	- 1.5	- 9.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.4	29.8	34.2	- 1.3	-14.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.0	28.5	29.4	- 1.8	- 4.8
Knitting Mills	74.9	75.4	80.8	- 0.7	- 7.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.2	24.0	+ 0.9	- 6.7
Hosiery, NEC	21.3	21.7	22.5	- 1.8	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.4	13.6	15.3	- 1.5	-12.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.0	6.9	7.1	+ 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	14.2	14.6	0	- 2.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.4	51.8	55.3	- 0.8	- 7.1

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December, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1984 (Thous)	November 1984 (Thous)	December 1983 (Thous)	November 1984	December 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.2	86.3	87.4	- 1.3	- 2.5
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.0	26.8	27.3	- 3.0	- 4.8
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.2	40.4	41.6	- 0.5	- 3.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.5	22.3	22.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.7	10.8	+ 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.2	7.2	7.2	0	0
Printing & Publishing	24.1	24.1	23.3	0	+ 3.4
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	8.8	0	+ 5.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.6	36.7	37.7	- 0.3	- 2.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.1	12.9	13.9	+ 1.6	- 5.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.1	30.2	27.0	- 0.3	+11.5
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.4	5.4	0	-18.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1,720.0	1,719.7	1,667.4	+ 0.02	+ 3.2
MINING	4.4	4.6	4.4	- 4.3	0
CONSTRUCTION	126.1	126.7	119.3	- 0.5	+ 5.7
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.4	123.3	121.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.5	63.3	61.9	+ 0.3	+ 2.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.8	54.8	54.9	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	550.0	543.5	530.2	+ 1.2	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade	124.3	125.3	121.0	- 0.8	+ 2.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	75.1	75.3	71.5	- 0.3	+ 5.0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	49.2	50.0	49.5	- 1.6	- 0.6
Retail Trade	425.7	418.2	409.2	+ 1.8	+ 4.0
General Merchandise Stores	64.3	61.0	62.3	- 5.4	+ 3.2
Variety Stores	13.0	12.0	13.1	+ 8.3	- 0.8
Food Stores	66.3	65.9	65.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.0	104.2	102.1	- 0.2	+ 1.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	377.4	379.2	365.5	- 0.5	+ 3.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.7	23.2	20.0	- 6.5	+ 8.5
Personal Services	24.9	25.0	23.2	- 0.4	+ 7.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.2	10.3	10.0	- 1.0	+ 2.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	434.7	438.2	424.0	- 0.8	+ 2.5
Federal	50.7	50.4	50.2	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
State	130.8	132.1	126.4	- 1.0	+ 3.9
Education	71.4	72.4	68.7	- 1.4	+ 3.9
Other	59.4	59.7	57.7	- 0.5	+ 2.9
Local	253.2	255.7	247.4	- 1.0	+ 2.3
Education	141.6	141.5	137.6	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Other	111.6	114.2	109.8	- 2.3	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1984 (Thous)	November 1984 (Thous)	December 1983 (Thous)	November 1984	December 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2503.1	2501.4	2454.7	+ 0.1	+ 2.0
MANUFACTURING	803.8	802.2	807.5	+ 0.2	- 0.5
DURABLE GOODS	320.6	318.8	310.0	+ 0.6	+ 3.4
Lumber & Wood Products	35.1	35.0	35.6	+ 0.3	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.2	13.2	- 0.8	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.5	8.4	8.2	+ 1.2	+ 3.7
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.6	3.9	0	- 7.7
Furniture & Fixtures	81.6	81.8	81.4	- 0.2	+ 0.2
Household Furniture	72.0	72.4	72.7	- 0.6	- 1.0
Wood Household Furniture	37.3	36.8	38.3	+ 1.4	- 2.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.1	31.1	30.6	0	+ 1.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.6	18.2	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.6	2.4	+ 3.8	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.8	0	+ 4.2
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.8	9.7	0	+11.3
Fabricated Metal Products	24.9	24.7	23.7	+ 0.8	+ 5.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	11.9	8.2	-29.4	+ 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.4	53.9	51.6	+ 0.9	+ 5.4
Special Industry Machinery	7.7	7.9	7.9	- 2.5	- 2.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.9	60.3	56.6	+ 1.0	+ 7.6
Household Appliances	6.2	5.8	5.9	+ 6.9	+ 5.1
Transportation Equipment	19.3	19.1	18.5	+ 1.0	+ 4.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	14.6	14.7	+ 2.1	+ 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.2	483.4	497.5	- 0.04	- 2.9
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	44.4	43.4	+ 1.4	+ 3.7
Meat Products	18.1	18.0	16.9	+ 0.6	+ 7.1
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.6	2.5	- 3.8	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.5	2.5	- 4.0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.6	6.5	6.7	+ 1.5	- 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.9	23.1	22.8	+ 3.5	+ 4.8
Cigarettes	18.8	18.6	18.4	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.4	3.5	3.7	+25.7	+18.9
Textile Mill Products	211.0	212.3	227.8	- 0.6	- 7.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	57.5	58.3	63.6	- 1.4	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.3	29.7	34.1	- 1.3	-14.1
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.1	28.5	29.5	- 1.4	- 4.7
Knitting Mills	75.4	75.6	81.3	- 0.3	- 7.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.2	23.9	+ 0.5	- 6.7
Hosiery, NEC	21.5	21.7	22.7	- 0.9	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.4	13.6	15.3	- 1.5	-12.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.1	7.0	7.2	+ 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	14.1	14.6	+ 0.7	- 2.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.5	51.7	55.3	- 0.4	- 6.9

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December, 1984

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INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1984 (Thous)	November 1984 (Thous)	December 1983 (Thous)	November 1984	December 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.6	85.6	87.8	0	- 2.5
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.1	26.5	27.4	- 1.5	- 4.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.5	40.2	41.9	+ 0.7	- 3.3
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.2	0	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.8	10.7	- 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.2	7.2	7.2	0	0
Printing & Publishing	23.8	24.1	23.0	- 1.2	+ 3.5
Newspapers	9.2	9.3	8.7	- 1.1	+ 5.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.9	37.0	38.0	- 0.3	- 2.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.1	12.9	13.9	+ 1.6	- 5.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.3	30.2	27.1	+ 0.3	+11.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.4	5.4	0	-18.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1699.3	1699.2	1647.2	*	+ 3.2
MINING	4.4	4.6	4.4	- 4.3	0
CONSTRUCTION	125.6	124.6	118.8	+ 0.8	+ 5.7
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	122.9	122.9	121.4	0	+ 1.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	62.9	62.9	61.3	0	+ 2.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.0	55.0	55.0	0	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	536.0	535.6	516.5	+ 0.1	+ 3.8
Wholesale Trade	124.7	124.4	121.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.8
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	75.2	75.2	71.5	0	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	49.5	49.2	49.8	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Retail Trade	411.3	411.2	395.2	*	+ 4.1
General Merchandise Stores	56.4	58.1	54.6	- 2.9	+ 3.3
Variety Stores	11.7	11.4	11.8	+ 2.6	- 0.8
Food Stores	65.7	65.6	65.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.2	104.4	102.3	- 0.2	+ 1.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	382.8	381.5	370.6	+ 0.3	+ 3.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.6	24.0	21.8	- 1.7	+ 8.3
Personal Services	25.1	25.4	23.4	- 1.2	+ 7.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.2	9.9	- 1.0	+ 2.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	423.4	425.6	413.2	- 0.5	+ 2.5
Federal	51.1	50.9	50.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
State	125.6	125.6	121.5	0	+ 3.4
Education	65.4	65.2	63.0	+ 0.3	+ 3.8
Other	60.2	60.4	58.5	- 0.3	+ 2.9
Local	246.7	249.1	241.2	- 1.0	+ 2.3
Education	133.3	133.6	129.6	- 0.2	+ 2.9
Other	113.4	115.5	111.6	- 1.8	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	November 1984	December 1983
MANUFACTURING	641.3	645.3	649.2	- 0.6	- 1.2
DURABLE GOODS	244.3	244.8	237.5	- 0.2	+ 2.9
Lumber & Wood Products	29.8	30.1	30.3	- 1.0	- 1.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.5	7.5	7.5	0	0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.9	2.9	3.3	0	- 12.1
Furniture & Fixtures	73.8	73.9	73.6	- 0.1	+ 0.3
Household Furniture	65.9	66.0	66.5	- 0.2	- 0.9
Wood Household Furniture	33.6	34.2	34.6	- 1.8	- 2.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.4	15.6	14.7	- 1.3	+ 4.8
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	1.9	0	+ 15.8
Primary Metal Industries	8.2	8.1	7.2	+ 1.2	+ 13.9
Fabricated Metal Products	18.8	18.7	17.9	+ 0.5	+ 5.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.8	27.1	26.9	- 1.1	- 0.4
Special Industry Machinery	5.1	5.2	5.4	- 1.9	- 5.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.5	44.6	40.8	- 0.2	+ 9.1
Household Appliances	5.4	5.5	5.1	- 1.8	+ 5.9
Transportation Equipment	15.6	15.5	14.9	+ 0.6	+ 4.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	397.0	400.5	411.7	- 0.9	- 3.6
Food & Kindred Products	30.9	30.9	29.7	0	+ 4.0
Meat Products	15.9	15.9	14.9	0	+ 6.7
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.6	1.7	+ 6.2	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.6	4.5	- 2.2	0
Beverages	2.4	2.3	2.6	+ 4.3	- 7.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	19.5	20.1	18.5	- 3.0	+ 5.4
Cigarettes	14.9	15.0	14.8	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.1	4.5	3.2	- 8.9	+ 28.1
Textile Mill Products	187.0	188.9	203.5	- 1.0	- 8.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	52.0	52.9	58.0	- 1.7	- 10.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.6	27.0	31.2	- 1.5	- 14.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.3	25.8	26.6	- 1.9	- 4.9
Knitting Mills	65.4	66.0	71.4	- 0.9	- 8.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.5	19.4	21.2	+ 0.5	- 8.0
Hosiery, NEC	15.5	19.8	20.6	- 1.5	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.3	11.5	13.1	- 1.7	- 13.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.0	6.0	6.2	0	- 3.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	11.8	12.1	+ 0.8	- 1.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.1	47.5	50.9	- 0.8	- 7.5
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.9	75.9	77.1	- 1.3	- 2.9
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.3	24.1	24.7	- 3.3	- 5.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.6	34.9	35.8	- 0.9	- 3.4
Paper & Allied Products	16.9	16.9	17.1	0	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	7.9	0	- 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.6	5.6	0	0
Printing & Publishing	14.9	14.8	14.2	+ 0.7	+ 4.9
Newspapers	3.6	3.7	3.4	- 2.7	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.4	24.4	25.1	0	- 2.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.4	9.2	9.9	+ 2.2	- 5.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.8	24.9	21.8	- 0.4	+ 13.8
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.7	4.7	0	- 21.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

December, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983
MANUFACTURING	$ 287.12	$284.57	$279.35	40.1	39.8	40.9	$ 7.16	$ 7.15	$ 6.83
DURABLE GOODS	308.58	300.76	298.20	41.7	41.2	42.0	7.40	7.30	7.10
Lumber & Wood Products	245.81	242.00	240.86	40.9	40.4	41.6	6.01	5.99	5.79
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	247.97	235.35	239.67	42.1	40.3	41.9	5.89	5.84	5.72
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	277.17	275.22	262.01	40.7	39.6	39.4	6.81	6.95	6.65
Furniture & Fixtures	253.04	251.54	248.88	39.6	39.8	40.6	6.39	6.32	6.13
Household Furniture	251.46	250.74	248.47	39.6	39.8	40.6	6.35	6.30	6.12
Wood Household Furniture	237.90	247.25	241.26	39.0	40.6	41.1	6.10	6.09	5.87
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	329.47	327.85	316.17	42.9	42.8	42.1	7.68	7.66	7.51
Structural Clay Products	281.43	283.13	247.94	44.6	45.3	41.6	6.31	6.25	5.96
Primary Metal Industries	382.97	350.35	364.69	45.7	43.2	45.7	8.38	8.11	7.98
Fabricated Metal Products	329.87	330.79	318.93	42.4	42.3	41.8	7.78	7.82	7.63
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	371.80	362.32	357.50	44.0	43.6	44.3	8.45	8.31	8.07
Special Industry Machinery	328.80	309.46	316.63	42.1	40.4	42.5	7.81	7.66	7.45
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	368.49	344.84	351.09	42.6	41.2	42.3	8.65	8.37	8.30
Household Appliances	262.51	269.18	244.84	40.2	40.6	39.3	6.53	6.63	6.23
Transportation Equipment	343.57	348.19	337.55	43.0	43.2	43.0	7.99	8.06	7.85
NONDURABLE GOODS	273.70	273.86	268.80	39.1	38.9	40.3	7.00	7.04	6.67
Food & Kindred Products	262.00	251.16	254.47	40.0	39.0	40.2	6.55	6.44	6.33
Meat Products	205.16	199.82	204.54	37.1	36.2	37.6	5.53	5.52	5.44
Meat Packing	316.81	342.88	380.38	39.9	44.3	45.5	7.94	7.74	8.36
Dairy Products	264.80	268.46	263.08	42.3	43.3	42.5	6.26	6.20	6.19
Grain Mill Products	315.06	295.75	305.33	44.5	42.8	45.1	7.08	6.91	6.77
Bakery Products	297.09	297.09	276.55	42.2	42.2	41.4	7.04	7.04	6.68
Beverages	518.25	484.54	481.68	45.5	45.2	45.7	11.39	10.72	10.54
Tobacco Manufacturers	451.61	503.00	419.60	38.5	39.7	37.7	11.73	12.67	11.13
Cigarettes	521.50	617.87	474.13	37.9	42.7	37.9	13.76	14.47	12.57
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	212.22	149.08	182.29	40.5	30.3	36.9	5.24	4.92	4.94
Textile Mill Products	240.77	239.51	249.08	38.4	38.2	40.7	6.27	6.27	6.12
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	271.07	270.18	270.66	39.4	39.1	40.7	6.88	6.91	6.65
Weaving Mills, Cotton	271.37	266.73	262.94	39.5	38.6	39.6	6.87	6.91	6.64
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	271.47	273.64	280.81	39.4	39.6	42.1	6.89	6.91	6.67
Knitting Mills	217.25	214.91	221.13	37.2	36.8	39.0	5.84	5.84	5.67
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	217.54	211.84	217.06	38.3	37.1	39.9	5.68	5.71	5.44
Hosiery, NEC	204.42	200.99	192.77	35.8	35.2	35.5	5.71	5.71	5.43
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	224.80	235.60	261.88	36.2	38.0	41.9	6.21	6.20	6.25
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	275.14	266.74	278.40	42.2	41.1	43.5	6.52	6.49	6.40
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	265.27	256.07	276.92	41.0	39.7	43.0	6.47	6.45	6.44
Yarn & Thread Mills	224.55	228.00	247.28	37.3	38.0	41.7	6.02	6.00	5.93
Apparel & Other Textile Products	187.50	184.76	184.84	37.5	37.1	37.8	5.00	4.98	4.89
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	185.04	180.22	182.14	36.0	35.2	36.5	5.14	5.12	4.99
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	177.82	175.75	176.53	37.2	37.0	37.4	4.78	4.75	4.72
Paper & Allied Products	465.89	482.18	470.64	43.5	44.4	44.4	10.71	10.86	10.60
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	584.31	614.71	564.32	43.9	45.5	44.4	13.31	13.51	12.71
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	336.16	341.44	345.47	43.6	44.0	45.1	7.71	7.76	7.66
Printing & Publishing	321.17	320.40	289.38	40.5	39.9	39.0	7.93	8.03	7.42
Newspapers	287.55	280.14	272.03	35.5	34.8	35.1	8.10	8.05	7.75
Chemicals & Allied Products	404.55	384.17	361.56	42.9	41.0	40.9	9.43	9.37	8.84
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	477.90	457.68	412.44	45.0	43.3	42.0	10.62	10.57	9.82
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	378.36	375.42	368.76	41.9	41.9	43.9	9.03	8.96	8.40
MINING	355.28	359.20	294.74	46.2	45.7	40.1	7.69	7.86	7.35
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	452.17	461.73	422.65	40.3	41.3	41.1	11.22	11.18	10.77
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.68	193.05	192.66	33.0	32.5	33.8	5.96	5.94	5.70
Wholesale Trade	301.39	298.98	284.72	39.5	39.6	39.6	7.63	7.55	7.19
Retail Trade	169.65	164.63	168.41	31.3	30.6	32.2	5.42	5.38	5.23
General Merchandise Stores	160.79	146.16	165.47	31.1	29.0	33.7	5.17	5.04	4.91
Variety Stores	121.98	116.91	121.51	31.6	29.9	33.2	3.86	3.91	3.66
Food Stores	202.90	199.47	193.97	34.1	33.3	33.5	5.95	5.99	5.79
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	136.05	133.29	120.28	30.1	30.5	28.3	4.52	4.37	4.25
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	193.61	193.25	172.69	36.6	36.6	35.1	5.29	5.28	4.92

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
January, 1985

NEW DATA SERIES BEGINS IN JANUARY: Effective with data for January, 1985, civilian labor force estimates (both unadjusted and seasonally adjusted) for North Carolina are derived directly from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS is a household survey conducted by the Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The survey produces monthly labor force data for the nation and the eleven largest states. Neither the unadjusted data nor the seasonally adjusted data for January, 1985, are comparable with previously published series due to the significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates for North Carolina.

The official estimates for North Carolina prior to 1985 were not derived from the household survey; consequently, seasonally adjusted data are not available.

Most economic series, including employment and unemployment data, are affected by seasonal variations. Often it is difficult to tell from raw statistics whether development between any two months reflect changing economic conditions or merely normal seasonal fluctuations. So, to compare employment and unemployment data for any pairs of months accurately, a statistical technique know as seasonal adjustment is used.

Seasonal fluctuations are those which occur more or less regularly each year--crop seasons, changes in weather, opening and closing of schools, major holidays, industry model changes, and the like. The cumulative effect of these events are often large; on average, for example, they can explain more than 90 percent of the over-the-month change in unemployment. The object of seasonal adjustment, then, is to eliminate the seasonal variations that usually occur in the month and highlight the change, if any, that exceeded the normal or expected change. Without this separation of the seasonal component of month-to-month changes, the continuing trend in the particular series would be more difficult to discern.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DECREASES IN JANUARY: In the middle of January, 1985, manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 820,100, a net over-the-month loss of 4,700 persons (-0.6 percent). The durable goods segment accounted for 2,200 of that drop as all of its industries except two experienced declines. Nonelectrical machinery recorded the largest decrease, falling by 900 workers (-1.6 percent). Electrical machinery followed, down by 600 people (-0.9 percent). The nondurable goods segment fell by 2,500 persons (-0.5 percent) as most of its industries sustained monthly losses. The greatest losses occurred in apparel and related products (-1,100) and food and kindred products (-1,000).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DOWN OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment, not seasonally adjusted, was estimated to be 1,766,300 in mid-January of this year. A noticeable net monthly decline of 27,000 workers (-1.5 percent) resulted as five of the seven industry groups suffered losses. Trade exhibited a large seasonal drop of 14,000 people (-2.4 percent), and government fell by 7,300 persons (-1.7 percent).

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: From January, 1984, to January, 1985, manufacturing employment in the State decreased by 3,800 workers (-0.5 percent). Nevertheless, there were still several industry groups that enjoyed strong growth: electrical machinery (+4,400), nonelectrical machin- (+2,500), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+2,500), and fabricated metals (+1,400). Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was 103,000 (+6.2 percent) more than one year ago as all seven of the industry groups experienced increases. The four largest were trade (+36,000), service and miscellaneous (+25,100), construction (+23,000), and government (+9,700).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT SIGNIFICANT IN JANUARY: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 213,200 during the mid-week of January of this year, representing 7.1 percent of the civilian labor force in the State. Seasonally adjusted, total unemployment for North Carolina in mid-January, 1985, was estimated at 208,000, for an unemployment rate of 6.8 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 8.0 percent in January, 1985, 7.0 percent in December, 1984, and 8.8 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.4 percent this January, 7.2 percent in December, and 8.0 percent twelve months ago.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

January, 1985 1/

Item	January 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)	
Civilian Labor Force	2,999,400
Employment	2,786,200
Unemployment	213,200
Unemployment Rate	7.1
(Seasonally Adjusted)	
Civilian Labor Force	3,056,000
Employment	2,848,000
Unemployment	208,000
Unemployment Rate	6.8
National Rate (Unadjusted)	8.0
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.4

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS DECLINE: From the middle of December, 1984, to the middle of January, 1985, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees fell by 1¢ an hour (-0.1 percent) to $7.14. However, the current figure is 24¢ an hour (+3.5 percent) more than one year ago. The durable goods segment suffered a more noticeable net over-the-month loss of 5¢ an hour (-0.7 percent) to drop to $7.32 in January of this year.

Over the year, however, the durable goods sector increased by 19¢ an hour (+2.7 percent). The durable goods industry which enjoyed the largest net over-the-month gain, was stone, clay, and glass products, up by 22¢ an hour (+2.9 percent) to hit $7.83 in January, 1985. The primary metal industries followed and experienced a net monthly increase of 18¢ an hour (+2.2 percent) to reach $8.48. The nondurable goods segment recorded a modest net monthly rise of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to arrive at $7.03 this January. Since January of last year, the nondurable goods sector advanced by 27¢ an hour (+4.0 percent). Tobacco manufacturing led the way in nondurables with a net monthly surge of 16¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) to climb to $12.30. Chemicals and allied products was a close second with a net over-the-month gain of 15¢ an hour (+1.6 percent) for a January, 1985, level of $9.47. From mid-December, 1984, to mid-January, 1985, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers sustained a loss of $8.97 (-3.1 percent) to fall to $278.46. Since January of 1984, however, there has been modest growth of $4.53 (+1.7 percent). Average weekly hours stood at 39.0 in January, 1985, down by 1.2 hours over the month and by 0.7 of an hour over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX CONTINUES TO RISE: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers climbed to 316.1 in January of this year, according to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was an over-the-month gain of 0.2 percent and an over-the-year increase of 3.6 percent. The group that experienced the largest monthly gain was "other" goods and services, the cost of which rose by 0.8 percent. That was followed by food and beverages and medical care, both rising by 0.7 percent over the month. The good news is that both apparel and upkeep and transportation continue to drop, down by 1.7 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, fell to 31.6¢ in January, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES IN JANUARY: As of January 31, 1985, there were 163,294 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month jump of 5,456 people (+3.5 percent). The largest applicant segment by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine with 101,965 or 62.5 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four age group came next with 28,556 or 17.5 percent. The fifty-five and over sector once again had the lowest number of active applicants with 8,736 or 5.3 percent of the total. Females made up the majority of the active applicants with 83,255 or 51.0 percent of the total. The ethnic group Black, not Hispanic, comprised 41.1 percent of the active applicants with a count of 67,173. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of January 31, 1985.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

January 31, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	163,294	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	24,037	14.7
22-39	101,965	62.5
40-54	28,556	17.5
55 and Over	8,736	5.3
Sex		
Male	80,039	49.0
Female	83,255	51.0
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	92,397	56.6
Black, not Hispanic	67,173	41.1
Hispanic	726	0.4
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,210	1.4
Other Races and Undetermined	788	0.5
Eligible Claimant	66,117	40.5
Veteran	31,381	19.2
Handicapped	10,646	6.5
Welfare	24,926	15.3
Seasonal Farmworker	1,235	0.8

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS GROWS OVER THE MONTH: During January, 1985, there were 14,908 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, which reflected a net monthly increase of 2,818 (+23.3 percent). A good percentage of these job openings was filled (65.7 percent or 9,788). The occupational group with the largest number of job openings received in January was service with 2,622. Most of those were filled (1,737 or 66.2 percent). Next came bench work with 2,319 job openings received and 1,159 or 50.0 percent filled. The miscellaneous category followed with 2,047 job openings received and 1,733 or 84.7 percent filled. Processing continues to have the lowest number of job openings with only 356 in January, but the vast majority of those was filled (316 or 88.8 percent). There were 161,328 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984, through January 31, 1985. Most of these job openings were filled (128,895 or 79.9 percent). There were 13,590 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of January 31, 1985. The majority of those job openings (9,038 or 66.5 percent) had been classified as hard-to-fill due to remaining open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on the State's job openings in January, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1,1984, through January 31,1985).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

Occupation	January, 1985 Received	January, 1985 Filled	Fiscal Year to Date 1/ Received	Fiscal Year to Date 1/ Filled	Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Jan. 31, 1985 Total	Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Jan. 31, 1985 30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	880	362	6,187	2,717	1,473	975
Clerical	2,027	1,220	16,756	10,967	1,854	983
Sales	772	343	5,375	3,087	845	446
Service	2,622	1,737	23,511	17,542	2,283	1,509
Domestic	152	110	1,789	1,504	85	49
Other Services	2,470	1,627	21,722	16,038	2,198	1,460
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	733	717	39,767	39,006	160	103
Processing	356	316	6,258	5,893	398	321
Machine Trades	1,194	753	10,098	7,425	1,209	786
Bench Work	2,319	1,159	13,912	11,220	2,161	1,801
Structural Work	1,958	1,448	19,802	14,789	1,941	1,317
Miscellaneous	2,047	1,733	19,662	16,249	1,266	797
Motor Freight and Trans.	415	277	3,693	2,408	369	229
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	1,579	1,426	15,495	13,550	842	538
Other	53	30	974	291	55	30
Total	14,908	9,788	161,328	128,895	13,590	9,038

1/ July 1, 1984, through January 31, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1985 (Thous.)	December 1984 (Thous.)	January 1984 (Thous.)	December 1984	January 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2586.4	2618.1	2487.2	- 1.2	+ 4.0
MANUFACTURING	820.1	824.8	823.9	- 0.6	- 0.5
DURABLE GOODS	333.2	335.4	321.8	- 0.7	+ 3.5
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.7	36.3	- 0.8	+ 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.2	13.2	- 0.8	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.0	8.8	0	+ 2.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.4	4.4	4.5	0	- 2.2
Furniture & Fixtures	85.2	84.8	84.8	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Household Furniture	75.0	74.6	75.4	+ 0.5	- 0.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.4	37.1	38.3	+ 0.8	- 2.3
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.5	31.4	31.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.4	18.7	17.9	- 1.6	+ 2.8
Structural Clay Products	2.4	2.5	2.2	- 4.0	+ 9.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.3	5.3	4.9	0	+ 8.2
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.3	10.2	- 1.8	+ 8.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	27.0	25.5	- 0.4	+ 5.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.5	8.2	0	+ 3.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.2	56.1	52.7	- 1.6	+ 4.7
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.5	7.4	- 2.7	- 1.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.8	64.4	59.4	- 0.9	+ 7.4
Household Appliances	5.7	6.1	5.6	- 6.6	+ 1.8
Transportation Equipment	21.0	20.8	19.7	+ 1.0	+ 6.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.2	15.6	15.3	- 2.6	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	486.9	489.4	502.1	- 0.5	- 3.0
Food & Kindred Products	43.6	44.6	42.9	- 2.2	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.0	18.5	17.1	- 2.7	+ 5.3
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 3.7	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	7.9	- 1.2	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.1	6.3	6.2	- 3.2	- 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.7	25.0	23.7	- 1.2	+ 4.2
Cigarettes	19.8	20.1	19.6	- 1.5	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	4.5	3.6	0	+ 25.0
Textile Mill Products	210.5	210.5	226.6	0	- 7.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	57.5	57.3	63.5	+ 0.3	- 9.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.9	29.0	33.5	- 0.3	- 13.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.8	27.5	29.0	+ 1.1	- 4.1
Knitting Mills	74.4	74.5	79.5	- 0.1	- 6.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.1	23.5	+ 0.5	- 5.5
Hosiery, NEC	21.5	21.6	22.3	- 0.5	- 3.6
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.4	15.1	- 0.7	- 11.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.9	7.0	0	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.5	15.0	- 1.4	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.5	51.3	55.1	+ 0.4	- 6.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1985 (Thous.)	December 1984 (Thous.)	January 1984 (Thous.)	December 1984	January 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.5	90.6	92.1	- 1.2	- 2.8
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.0	29.2	29.9	- 0.7	- 3.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.0	40.6	42.3	- 1.5	- 5.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.5	22.3	22.3	+ 0.9	
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.1	11.0	11.1	+ 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.4	7.4	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	25.1	24.9	23.7	+ 0.8	+ 5.9
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	8.8	0	+ 5.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.9	37.3	38.2	- 1.1	- 3.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.9	13.0	13.9	- 0.8	- 7.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.7	29.8	27.2	- 0.3	+ 9.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.4	5.4	0	- 18.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1766.3	1793.3	1663.3	- 1.5	+ 6.2
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.3	0	+ 7.0
CONSTRUCTION	139.0	141.9	116.0	- 2.0	+ 19.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	128.1	130.1	123.4	- 1.5	+ 3.8
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	69.0	70.9	64.2	- 2.7	+ 7.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.0	54.0	54.1	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	561.4	575.4	525.4	- 2.4	+ 6.9
Wholesale Trade	131.7	132.3	126.0	- 0.5	+ 4.5
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.3	79.1	74.2	+ 0.3	+ 6.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.4	53.2	51.8	- 1.5	+ 1.2
Retail Trade	429.7	443.1	399.4	- 3.0	+ 7.6
General Merchandise Stores	57.5	63.7	55.0	- 9.7	+ 4.5
Variety Stores					
Food Stores	66.6	67.4	65.6	- 1.2	+ 1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	106.3	106.0	102.1	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	403.7	404.8	378.6	- 0.3	+ 6.6
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.1	22.7	19.9	- 2.6	+ 11.1
Personal Services	26.1	26.0	25.0	+ 0.4	+ 4.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.8	10.9	10.5	- 0.9	+ 2.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	423.2	430.5	413.5	- 1.7	+ 2.3
Federal	50.3	50.5	49.9	- 0.4	+ 0.8
State	122.5	128.2	118.9	-118.9	- 3.0
Education	61.2	67.3	60.0	- 9.1	+ 2.0
Other	61.3	60.9	58.9	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
Local	250.4	251.8	244.7	- 0.6	+ 2.3
Education	137.9	138.6	133.6	- 0.5	+ 3.6
Other	112.5	113.2	111.1	- 0.6	+ 1.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1985 (Thous.)	December 1984 (Thous.)	January 1984 (Thous.)	December 1984	January 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2621.4	2597.2	2513.9	+ 0.9	+ 4.3
MANUFACTURING	825.9	824.2	829.6	+ 0.2	- 0.4
DURABLE GOODS	335.2	334.4	323.6	+ 0.2	+ 3.6
Lumber & Wood Products	37.3	36.8	37.2	+ 1.4	+ 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.5	13.2	13.6	+ 2.3	- 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.1	9.0	8.9	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.7	4.4	4.8	+ 6.8	- 2.1
Furniture & Fixtures	84.6	83.8	84.2	+ 1.0	+ 0.5
Household Furniture	74.6	73.7	75.0	+ 1.2	- 0.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.5	38.1	38.4	- 1.6	- 2.3
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.3	31.0	30.8	+ 1.0	+ 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.8	18.2	- 0.5	+ 2.7
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.5	2.4	+ 4.0	+ 8.3
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.3	5.1	+ 3.8	+ 7.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.2	11.3	10.3	- 0.9	+ 8.7
Fabricated Metal Products	27.0	26.7	25.6	+ 1.1	+ 5.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.5	8.2	0	+ 3.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.0	55.6	52.5	- 1.1	+ 4.8
Special Industry Machinery	7.2	7.4	7.3	- 2.7	- 1.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	64.9	64.7	60.4	+ 0.3	+ 7.5
Household Appliances	6.4	6.2	6.3	+ 3.2	+ 1.6
Transportation Equipment	21.3	21.1	19.9	+ 0.9	+ 7.0
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.2	15.6	15.3	- 2.6	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	490.7	489.8	506.0	+ 0.2	- 3.0
Food & Kindred Products	44.6	44.6	43.9	0	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.1	18.5	17.2	- 2.2	+ 5.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.6	2.6	+ 3.8	+ 3.8
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.3	6.4	6.4	- 1.6	- 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.1	24.8	24.1	+ 1.2	+ 4.1
Cigarettes	19.8	20.1	19.6	- 1.5	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.7	4.3	3.8	+ 9.3	+ 23.7
Textile Mill Products	212.0	210.7	228.2	+ 0.6	- 7.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	57.4	57.2	63.4	+ 0.3	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.6	28.9	33.2	- 1.0	- 13.9
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.9	27.6	29.1	+ 1.1	- 4.1
Knitting Mills	75.4	74.9	80.5	+ 0.7	- 6.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.0	23.5	+ 0.9	- 5.5
Hosiery, NEC	22.1	21.8	22.9	+ 1.4	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.5	13.4	15.3	+ 0.7	- 11.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.1	7.0	7.2	+ 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.5	14.5	15.2	0	- 4.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.5	51.4	55.1	+ 0.2	- 6.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1985 (Thous.)	December 1984 (Thous.)	January 1984 (Thous.)	December 1984	January 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	90.2	91.1	92.8	- 1.0	- 2.8
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.1	29.3	30.1	- 0.7	- 3.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.5	40.9	42.8	- 1.0	- 5.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.1	22.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	10.9	11.0	+ 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.4	7.4	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	24.8	24.6	23.4	+ 0.8	+ 6.0
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	8.8	+ 1.1	+ 5.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.0	37.6	38.3	- 1.6	- 3.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.0	13.0	14.0	0	- 7.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	29.9	27.7	+ 1.0	+ 9.0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.4	5.5	+ 2.3	- 18.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1795.5	1773.0	1684.3	+ 1.3	+ 6.6
MINING	4.7	4.6	4.4	+ 2.2	+ 6.8
CONSTRUCTION	149.6	141.3	124.9	+ 5.9	+ 19.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.7	129.6	124.9	+ 0.1	+ 3.8
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.4	70.2	65.5	+ 0.3	+ 7.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.2	54.2	- 0.2	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	570.8	560.9	534.2	+ 1.8	+ 6.9
Wholesale Trade	133.2	132.8	127.5	+ 0.3	+ 5.7
Wholesale Trade—Durable Goods	79.6	79.2	74.5	+ 0.5	+ 14.5
Wholesale Trade—Nondurable Goods	53.6	53.6	53.0	0	+ 1.1
Retail Trade	437.6	428.1	406.7	+ 2.2	+ 7.6
General Merchandise Stores	57.1	55.9	54.6	+ 2.1	+ 4.6
Variety Stores	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Food Stores	67.0	66.8	66.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	107.5	106.2	102.7	+ 1.2	+ 4.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	413.2	410.5	382.8	+ 0.7	+ 7.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	25.7	24.7	20.4	+ 4.0	+ 26.0
Personal Services	25.4	26.2	29.0	- 3.1	- 12.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.8	10.2	+ 0.9	+ 6.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	420.0	419.9	410.4	+ 0.02	+ 2.3
Federal	50.7	50.9	50.3	- 0.4	+ 0.8
State	124.0	123.5	120.3	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Education	61.8	61.7	60.5	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Other	62.2	61.8	59.8	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Local	245.3	245.5	239.8	- 0.1	+ 2.3
Education	131.0	130.5	126.9	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
Other	114.3	115.0	112.9	- 0.6	+ 1.2

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1985	December 1984	January 1984	December 1984	January 1984
MANUFACTURING	653.3	657.2	660.1	- 0.6	- 1.0
DURABLE GOODS	253.8	255.5	245.9	- 0.7	+ 3.2
Lumber & Wood Products	31.5	31.8	31.5	- 0.9	0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	7.9	7.9	0	0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.5	3.7	+ 2.9	- 2.7
Furniture & Fixtures	76.1	75.7	75.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.1
Household Furniture	67.6	67.2	67.6	+ 0.6	0
Wood Household Furniture	34.5	34.2	34.9	+ 0.9	- 1.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.2	15.5	14.7	- 1.9	+ 3.4
Structural Clay Products	1.9	2.0	1.7	- 5.0	+11.8
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.6	7.5	- 2.3	+12.0
Fabricated Metal Products	20.0	20.1	19.0	- 0.5	+ 5.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.3	27.5	27.2	- 0.7	+ 0.4
Special Industry Machinery	4.9	5.1	5.2	- 3.9	- 5.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	46.7	47.4	43.1	- 1.5	+ 8.4
Household Appliances	5.0	5.4	4.9	- 7.4	+ 2.0
Transportation Equipment	17.0	16.9	15.9	+ 0.6	+ 6.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	399.5	401.7	414.2	- 0.5	- 3.5
Food & Kindred Products	29.7	30.5	29.3	- 2.6	+ 1.4
Meat Products	15.8	16.2	14.9	- 2.5	+ 6.0
Meat Packing	1.8	1.9	1.8	- 5.3	0
Dairy Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.6	4.5	- 2.2	0
Beverages	2.3	2.4	2.4	- 4.2	- 4.2
Tobacco Manufacturers	19.6	19.8	18.5	- 1.0	+ 5.9
Cigarettes	15.7	15.9	15.6	- 1.3	+ 0.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.5	3.5	2.4	0	+45.8
Textile Mill Products	186.8	186.6	203.4	+ 0.1	- 8.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	51.1	50.7	57.9	+ 0.8	-11.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	25.7	25.7	30.7	0	-16.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.8	24.5	26.6	+ 1.2	- 6.8
Knitting Mills	65.7	65.8	71.4	- 0.2	- 8.0
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.0	19.9	21.8	+ 0.5	- 8.3
Hosiery, NEC	19.7	19.7	20.8	0	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.2	11.3	12.9	- 0.9	-13.2
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.0	6.0	6.1	0	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.0	12.2	12.2	- 1.6	- 1.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.2	47.0	50.7	+ 0.4	- 6.9
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.9	80.1	80.0	- 1.5	- 1.4
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.1	26.4	27.2	- 1.1	- 4.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.7	35.3	36.0	- 1.7	- 3.6
Paper & Allied Products	16.8	16.7	16.9	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.2	8.1	8.1	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.5	5.6	5.6	- 1.8	- 1.8
Printing & Publishing	15.9	15.7	14.7	+ 1.3	+ 8.2
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.4	0	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.8	24.2	24.7	- 1.7	- 3.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.9	9.0	9.6	- 1.1	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.3	24.4	22.0	- 0.4	+10.5
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.7	4.7	0	-21.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

JANUARY, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	January 1985	December 1984	January 1984	January 1985	December 1984	January 1984	January 1985	December 1984	January 1984
MANUFACTURING	$ 278.46	$ 287.43	$273.93	39.0	40.2	39.7	$ 7.14	$ 7.15	$ 6.90
DURABLE GOODS	294.26	309.54	285.91	40.2	42.0	40.1	7.32	7.37	7.13
Lumber & Wood Products	239.37	246.22	231.20	39.5	40.9	40.0	6.06	6.02	5.78
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	240.54	244.53	232.15	40.7	41.8	40.8	5.91	5.85	5.69
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	258.30	276.46	242.63	36.9	40.3	37.5	7.00	6.86	6.47
Furniture & Fixtures	251.86	257.75	229.97	39.6	40.4	37.7	6.36	6.38	6.10
Household Furniture	250.90	256.14	228.38	39.7	40.4	37.5	6.32	6.34	6.09
Wood Household Furniture	243.36	244.19	228.54	39.7	39.9	39.0	6.13	6.12	5.86
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	320.25	327.23	311.54	40.9	43.0	41.1	7.83	7.61	7.58
Structural Clay Products	262.35	281.94	245.50	40.3	44.4	41.4	6.51	6.35	5.93
Primary Metal Industries	353.62	373.50	359.20	41.7	45.0	44.9	8.48	8.30	8.00
Fabricated Metal Products	323.01	326.28	311.66	41.2	42.1	40.9	7.84	7.75	7.62
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	352.34	372.12	331.25	42.4	44.3	41.2	8.31	8.40	8.04
Special Industry Machinery	322.91	325.92	299.11	42.1	42.0	41.2	7.67	7.76	7.26
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	312.96	362.93	351.96	38.4	42.9	42.0	8.15	8.46	8.38
Household Appliances	252.13	249.98	239.77	36.7	38.4	37.7	6.87	6.51	6.36
Transportation Equipment	358.83	349.92	324.12	43.6	43.2	41.5	8.23	8.10	7.81
NONDURABLE GOODS	268.55	272.61	266.34	38.2	39.0	39.4	7.03	6.99	6.76
Food & Kindred Products	256.59	261.45	237.51	40.6	40.1	37.7	6.32	6.52	6.30
Meat Products	217.75	206.63	193.28	40.7	37.5	35.4	5.35	5.51	5.46
Meat Packing	365.90	334.96	342.21	46.2	42.4	42.3	7.92	7.90	8.09
Dairy Products	268.16	267.50	252.56	42.7	42.8	41.0	6.28	6.25	6.16
Grain Mill Products	302.47	311.24	304.64	43.9	44.4	44.8	6.89	7.01	6.80
Bakery Products	277.46	308.85	253.46	39.3	43.5	38.0	7.06	7.10	6.67
Beverages	454.95	516.88	425.52	42.4	45.5	41.8	10.73	11.36	10.18
Tobacco Manufacturers	453.87	460.11	427.35	36.9	37.9	37.0	12.30	12.14	11.55
Cigarettes	517.72	521.50	473.11	37.3	37.9	37.4	13.88	13.76	12.65
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	184.79	202.23	177.82	34.8	37.8	34.0	5.31	5.35	5.23
Textile Mill Products	240.16	242.17	251.65	38.0	38.5	40.2	6.32	6.29	6.26
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	274.03	268.11	280.83	39.6	38.8	40.7	6.92	6.91	6.90
Weaving Mills, Cotton	276.80	263.42	267.63	40.0	38.4	38.9	6.92	6.86	6.88
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	270.18	273.53	295.06	39.1	39.3	42.7	6.91	6.96	6.71
Knitting Mills	209.92	218.04	220.61	35.7	37.4	38.3	5.88	5.83	5.76
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	199.18	214.70	209.00	34.7	37.8	38.0	5.74	5.68	5.50
Hosiery, NEC	193.20	208.05	199.99	33.6	36.5	36.1	5.75	5.70	5.54
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	226.81	228.16	257.81	36.7	36.8	40.6	6.18	6.20	6.35
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	300.37	275.10	285.14	45.1	42.0	43.8	6.66	6.55	6.51
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	257.15	270.44	271.77	39.2	41.1	42.2	6.56	6.58	6.44
Yarn & Thread Mills	230.12	228.69	253.34	38.1	37.8	41.6	6.04	6.05	6.09
Apparel & Other Textile Products	181.15	187.50	184.00	35.8	37.5	36.8	5.06	5.00	5.00
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	175.62	182.43	183.60	34.1	35.7	36.0	5.15	5.11	5.10
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	173.04	177.92	174.11	35.9	37.3	36.5	4.82	4.77	4.77
Paper & Allied Products	485.10	475.89	447.89	44.1	43.7	43.4	11.00	10.89	10.32
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	604.66	587.86	547.36	45.6	44.3	44.0	13.26	13.27	12.44
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	336.77	335.58	332.32	42.9	43.3	43.9	7.85	7.75	7.57
Printing & Publishing	304.54	317.60	283.88	38.5	39.9	37.8	7.91	7.96	7.51
Newspapers	271.75	284.87	261.41	32.9	35.3	33.3	8.26	8.07	7.85
Chemicals & Allied Products	384.48	390.51	356.40	40.6	41.9	40.5	9.47	9.32	8.80
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	441.61	438.18	401.70	42.3	42.5	41.2	10.44	10.31	9.75
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	361.80	370.94	357.00	40.2	41.4	42.5	9.00	8.96	8.40
MINING	337.41	353.79	280.12	41.4	45.3	37.3	8.15	7.81	7.51
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	463.09	458.79	441.41	41.2	41.0	41.1	11.24	11.19	10.74
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	190.20	198.20	187.02	31.7	33.2	32.3	6.00	5.97	5.79
Wholesale Trade	298.33	300.60	285.71	39.1	39.5	39.3	7.63	7.61	7.27
Retail Trade	160.68	170.73	160.21	29.7	31.5	30.4	5.41	5.42	5.27
General Merchandise Stores	148.70	170.22	141.00	29.1	32.3	28.2	5.11	5.27	5.00
Variety Stores									
Food Stores	196.47	201.37	189.32	33.3	33.9	31.5	5.90	5.94	6.01
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	135.45	135.90	116.10	30.1	30.2	27.0	4.50	4.50	4.30
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	188.85	190.58	173.00	35.7	36.3	34.6	5.29	5.25	5.00

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
February, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT GROWS OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's total employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 2,820,400 as of the middle of February, 1985, representing a net over-the-month gain of 34,200 people (+1.2 percent). The State's seasonally adjusted total employment was estimated to be 2,878,000 in mid-February, 1985, which was a net monthly increase of 30,000 workers (+1.1 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DOWN IN FEBRUARY: Statewide manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 815,800 in mid-February of this year, a net monthly decline of 3,700 people (-0.5 percent). The durable goods sector fell by 600 workers (-0.2 percent) with the two largest losses occurring in "other" durable goods (-300) and electrical machinery (-200). The nondurable goods sector decreased by 3,100 workers (-0.6 percent) due mainly to cutbacks in the textile mill products (-1,400) and tobacco manufacturing (-900) industries.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS MODEST GAIN: Nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 1,770,400 in the middle of February, 1985. A net over-the-month increase of 4,300 persons resulted (+0.2 percent) as government (+7,100); transportation, communications, and public utilities (+900); and service and miscellaneous (+900)experienced significant additions.

MANUFACTURING FALLS BUT NONMANUFACTURING RISES SINCE LAST YEAR: North Carolina's manufacturing employment dropped by 10,500 people (-1.3 percent) from February, 1984, to February, 1985. Even with that overall noticeable decline, the electrical machinery (+3,800), non-electrical machinery (+1,900), fabricated metals (+1,200), and tobacco manufacturing (+1,000) industries exhibited respectable increases. Nonmanufacturing employment in the State grew by 94,700 workers (+5.7 percent) over the year with each of the seven industry groups registering some kind of gain. The four largest were trade (+36,500), construction (+18,700), service and miscellaneous (+18,700), and government (+11,700).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT FALLS OVER THE MONTH: During the middle of February, 1985, total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 201,400, a net monthly decline of 11,800 people. The unadjusted unemployment rate dropped from 7.1 percent to 6.7 percent. North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 185,000 in mid-February of this year, a net over-the-month decrease of 23,000 persons. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell from 6.8 percent to 6.0 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.8 percent in February, 1985, and 8.0 percent in January, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.3 percent this February and 7.4 percent one month ago.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/
February, 1985

	February, 1985	January, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,021,800	2,999,400
Employment	2,820,400	2,786,200
Unemployment	201,400	213,200
Unemployment Rate	6.7	7.1
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,063,000	3,056,000
Employment	2,878,000	2,848,000
Unemployment	185,000	208,000
Unemployment Rate	6.0	6.8
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.8	8.0
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.4

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS RISE WHILE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS FALL: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers rose by 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) to $7.19 from mid-January to mid-February of this year. Over the year, the average has advanced by 27¢ an hour (+3.9 percent). The durable goods sector enjoyed a modest net monthly gain of 4¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) to hit $7.39 this February. Since February of last year, the durable goods segment has added 24¢ an hour (+3.4 percent). Primary metals was the durable goods industry that experienced the largest net monthly growth, rising by 9¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to reach $8.53 in February of this year. Lumber and wood was a close second, up by 8¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) over the month to arrive at $6.14. The nondurable goods sector increased by just 1¢ an hour over the month for a February figure of $7.05. During the last twelve months, the nondurable goods segment has increased by 26¢ an hour (+3.8 percent). Again, tobacco manufacturing was the leader in nondurables with a net over-the-month jump of 31¢ an hour (+2.5 percent) to advance to $12.61 in February, 1985. Food and kindred products and printing and publishing tied for a distant second with a net monthly increase of 4¢ an hour each. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees displayed an almost negligible drop of 26¢ to $280.41 from the middle of January to the middle of February, 1985. Over the year the average has climbed by $4.99 (+1.8 percent). In February of this year average weekly hours were 39.0, a monthly decrease of 0.2 of an hour and a yearly decline of 0.8 of an hour.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP OVER THE MONTH: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 317.4 in February, 1985, to represent a monthly increase of 0.4 percent and a yearly gain of 3.5 percent. The cost of apparel and upkeep increased the most, up by 1.0 percent over the month. Food and beverages and medical care came next, each experiencing a monthly jump of 0.7 percent. On the positive side the cost of transportation fell by 0.1 percent from January to February of this year. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $317.40 in February, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS CONTINUES TO RISE: There were 171,511 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of February 28, 1985, a net monthly increase of 8,217 persons (+5.0 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine age sector continues to be the largest with 107,737 or 62.8 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four age segment numbered 29,517 or 17.2 percent. The fewest active applicants occurred in the fifty-five and over group with 9,124 or just 5.3 percent of the total. More than half (51.3 percent) of the active applicants were females with a count of 87,996.

The largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, which numbered 98,083 or 57.2 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of February 28, 1985.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE
February 28, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	171,511	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	25,133	14.7
22-39	107,737	62.8
40-54	29,517	17.2
55 and Over	9,124	5.3
Sex		
Male	83,515	48.7
Female	87,996	51.3
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	98,083	57.2
Black, not Hispanic	69,487	40.5
Hispanic	719	0.4
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,411	1.4
Other Races and Undetermined	811	0.5
Eligible Claimant	69,570	40.6
Veteran	31,281	18.2
Handicapped	10,897	6.4
Welfare	24,978	14.6
Seasonal Farmworker	1,094	0.6

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS INCREASES SLIGHTLY IN FEBRUARY: There were 14,931 job openings received by the local Job Service offices in the State during February, 1985, a small net over-the-month gain of 23 (+0.2 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (10,056 or 67.3 percent). Once again the service category had the largest number of job openings received with 2,624. The majority of those was filled (1,867 or 71.2 percent). The structural work category followed with 2,128 job openings received and 1,637 or 76.9 percent filled. Next came the professional, technical, and managerial sector with 1,886 job openings received, but only 345 (18.3 percent) were filled. The occupational group with the fewest job openings received in February was processing with just 472; however, a very high percentage was filled (80.3 percent or 379). From July 1, 1984, through February 28, 1985, there were 176,259 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. More than three-fourths of those job openings was filled (78.8 percent or 138,951). As of February 28, 1985, there were 15,200 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Most of those job openings (8,598 or 56.6 percent) were open for thirty days or more and, therefore, were classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings for February, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through February 28, 1985).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	February, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Feb. 28. 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,886	345	8,073	3,062	2,527	1,027
Clerical	1,874	1,125	18,630	12,092	1,934	1,103
Sales	652	259	6,027	3,346	1,029	623
Service	2,624	1,867	26,135	19,409	2,464	1,617
Domestic	170	134	1,959	1,638	83	50
Other Services	2,454	1,733	24,176	17,771	2,381	1,567
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	925	773	40,692	39,779	246	105
Processing	472	379	6,730	6,272	394	251
Machine Trades	1,076	791	11,174	8,216	1,241	833
Bench Work	1,483	1,277	15,395	12,497	2,132	830
Structural Work	2,128	1,637	21,930	16,426	2,084	1,461
Miscellaneous	1,811	1,603	21,473	17,852	1,149	748
Motor Freight and Trans.	384	262	4,077	2,670	367	229
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,360	1,290	16,855	14,840	726	481
Other	67	51	541	342	56	38
Total	14,931	10,056	176,259	138,951	15,200	8,598

1/ July 1, 1984, through February 28, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Feb. 1985 (Thous.)	Jan. 1985 (Thous.)	Feb. 1984 (Thous.)	Jan. 1985	Feb. 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,586.2	2,585.6	2,502.0	+ .02	+ 3.4
MANUFACTURING	815.8	819.5	826.3	- 0.5	- 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	332.6	333.2	325.0	- 0.2	+ 2.3
Lumber & Wood Products	36.5	36.6	36.7	- 0.3	- 0.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.2	13.2	13.3	0	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.9	9.1	9.0	- 2.2	- 1.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.4	4.4	4.5	0	- 2.2
Furniture & Fixtures	84.9	85.0	85.1	- 0.1	- 0.2
Household Furniture	74.9	74.8	75.7	- 0.3	- 1.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.4	37.4	38.4	0	- 2.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.5	31.4	31.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.5	18.4	18.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.5	2.2	0	+13.6
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.2	5.3	5.0	- 1.9	+ 4.0
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.2	10.3	- 0.9	+ 7.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.8	26.9	25.6	- 0.4	+ 4.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.5	8.2	- 2.4	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.3	55.2	53.4	+ 0.2	+ 3.6
Special Industry Machinery	7.5	7.4	7.5	+ 1.4	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.6	63.8	59.8	- 0.3	+ 6.4
Household Appliances	5.6	5.8	5.2	- 3.4	+ 7.7
Transportation Equipment	21.0	20.9	20.2	+ 0.5	+ 4.0
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	15.2	15.6	- 2.0	- 4.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.2	486.3	501.3	- 0.6	- 3.6
Food & Kindred Products	43.4	43.6	42.6	- 0.5	+ 1.9
Meat Products	18.1	18.0	17.1	+ 0.6	+ 5.8
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	7.9	0	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0
Tobacco Manufactures	23.8	24.7	22.8	- 3.6	+ 4.4
Cigarettes	19.7	19.8	19.6	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.6	4.5	2.7	-20.0	+33.3
Textile Mill Products	208.6	210.0	226.0	- 0.7	- 7.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	56.4	57.5	62.7	- 1.9	-10.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	28.9	32.7	- 2.4	-13.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.4	27.8	29.0	- 1.4	- 5.5
Knitting Mills	74.5	74.0	79.8	+ 0.7	- 6.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.2	23.6	+ 0.9	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.5	22.7	+ 0.5	- 4.8
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.0	13.0	15.0	0	-13.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.9	7.0	0	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	14.3	15.0	- 0.7	- 5.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.7	51.3	54.8	- 1.2	- 7.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Feb. 1985 (Thous.)	Jan. 1985 (Thous.)	Feb. 1984 (Thous.)	Jan. 1985	Feb. 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.4	90.0	92.0	- 0.7	- 2.8
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.7	29.6	30.4	+ 0.3	- 2.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.4	39.9	41.9	- 1.3	- 6.0
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.4	22.2	- 0.4	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	11.1	11.1	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.3	0	0
Printing & Publishing	25.1	24.9	23.9	+ 0.8	+ 5.0
Newspapers					
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	36.6	38.3	+ 0.5	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.9	12.9	13.8	0	- 6.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.5	29.7	28.3	- 0.7	+ 4.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.4	5.2	- 2.3	-17.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,770.4	1,766.1	1,675.7	+ 0.2	+ 5.7
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.3	0	+ 7.0
CONSTRUCTION	136.6	138.7	117.9	- 1.5	+15.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.0	128.1	124.1	+ 0.7	+ 3.9
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	69.9	69.1	65.0	+ 1.2	+ 7.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.9	53.9	54.0	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	558.6	561.1	522.1	- 0.4	+ 7.0
Wholesale Trade	131.0	131.7	126.3	- 0.5	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	78.9	79.2	74.7	- 0.4	+ 5.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.1	52.5	51.6	- 0.8	+ 1.0
Retail Trade	427.6	429.4	395.8	- 0.4	+ 8.0
General Merchandise Stores	55.4	57.1	52.6	- 3.0	+ 5.3
Variety Stores					
Food Stores	66.4	66.7	65.1	- 0.4	+ 2.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	106.3	106.3	102.4	0	+ 3.8
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	404.1	403.2	385.4	+ 0.2	+ 4.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.1	22.0	20.3	+ 0.5	+ 8.9
Personal Services	26.1	26.1	25.4	0	+ 2.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.7	10.8	10.5	- 0.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	431.2	424.1	419.5	+ 1.7	+ 2.8
Federal	50.4	50.3	49.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
State	128.3	123.1	123.9	+ 4.2	+ 3.6
Education	67.0	62.1	64.6	+ 7.9	+ 3.7
Other	61.3	61.0	59.3	+ 0.5	+ 3.4
Local	252.5	250.7	245.8	+ 0.7	+ 2.7
Education	138.9	138.0	134.5	+ 0.7	+ 3.3
Other	113.6	112.7	111.3	+ 0.8	+ 2.1

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1985 (Thous)	January 1985 (Thous)	February 1984 (Thous)	January 1985	February 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,618.1	2,620.5	2,531.4	- 0.1	+ 3.4
MANUFACTURING	821.3	825.2	832.0	- 0.5	- 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	334.8	335.1	327.2	- 0.1	+ 2.3
Lumber & Wood Products	37.3	37.4	37.5	- 0.3	- 0.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.5	13.6	13.6	- 0.7	- 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.1	9.0	9.2	+ 1.1	- 1.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.7	4.7	4.8	0	- 2.1
Furniture & Fixtures	84.8	84.3	85.0	+ 0.6	- 0.2
Household Furniture	74.5	74.2	75.6	+ 0.4	- 1.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.7	37.5	38.7	+ 0.5	- 2.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.5	31.3	31.1	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.0	18.8	18.8	+ 1.1	+ 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.7	2.5	+ 3.7	+12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.4	5.2	0	+ 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.2	11.3	10.4	- 0.9	+ 7.7
Fabricated Metal Products	27.0	27.0	25.8	0	+ 4.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.5	8.3	- 1.2	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.4	55.0	53.5	+ 0.7	+ 3.6
Special Industry Machinery	7.5	7.3	7.5	+ 2.7	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	64.0	64.9	60.2	- 1.4	+ 6.3
Household Appliances	6.1	6.5	5.7	- 6.2	+ 7.0
Transportation Equipment	21.1	21.2	20.3	- 0.5	+ 3.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.0	15.2	15.7	- 1.3	- 4.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	486.5	490.1	504.8	- 0.7	- 3.6
Food & Kindred Products	44.4	44.6	43.6	- 0.4	+ 1.8
Meat Products	18.0	18.1	17.0	- 0.6	+ 5.9
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.6	0	+ 3.8
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.0	0	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.2	6.3	6.2	- 1.6	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.4	25.1	23.4	- 2.8	+ 4.3
Cigarettes	19.7	20.8	19.6	- 5.3	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.1	4.7	3.1	-12.8	+32.3
Textile Mill Products	209.6	211.5	227.1	- 0.9	- 7.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	56.7	57.4	63.1	- 1.2	-10.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.8	28.6	32.3	- 2.8	-13.9
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.9	27.9	29.5	0	- 5.4
Knitting Mills	74.9	75.0	80.2	- 0.1	- 6.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.2	23.6	+ 0.9	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.8	22.1	22.9	- 1.4	- 4.8
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.0	13.2	15.0	- 1.5	-13.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.0	7.1	7.1	- 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.4	14.5	15.2	- 0.7	- 5.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.9	51.3	55.0	- 0.8	- 7.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1985 (Thous)	January 1985 (Thous)	February 1984 (Thous)	January 1985	February 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.8	90.7	92.5	- 1.0	- 2.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.6	29.7	30.3	- 0.3	- 2.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.4	40.4	41.9	- 2.5	- 6.0
Paper & Allied Products	22.2	22.2	22.1	0	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	11.0	11.1	- 0.9	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.3	0	0
Printing & Publishing	24.9	24.6	23.7	+ 1.2	+ 5.1
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	8.8	+ 1.1	+ 5.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.9	36.7	38.4	+ 0.5	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.0	13.0	13.9	0	- 6.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.9	30.2	28.7	- 1.0	+ 4.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.5	5.3	- 2.2	-17.0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,796.8	1,795.3	1,699.4	+ 0.1	+ 5.7
MINING	4.7	4.7	4.4	0	+ 6.8
CONSTRUCTION	148.0	149.3	127.7	- 0.9	+15.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.6	129.7	124.7	- 0.1	+ 3.9
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.6	70.5	65.7	+ 0.1	+ 7.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.2	54.0	54.3	+ 0.4	- 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	574.4	570.5	536.9	+ 0.7	+ 7.0
Wholesale Trade	133.1	133.2	128.4	- 0.1	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.2	79.5	75.0	- 0.4	+ 5.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.9	53.7	53.4	+ 0.4	+ 0.9
Retail Trade	441.3	437.3	408.5	+ 0.9	+ 8.0
General Merchandise Stores	57.6	56.7	54.7	+ 1.6	+ 5.3
Food Stores	67.4	67.1	66.1	+ 0.4	+ 2.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	107.4	107.5	103.4	- 0.1	+ 3.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	411.5	412.7	392.5	- 0.3	+ 4.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	25.0	25.6	23.0	- 2.3	+ 8.7
Personal Services	25.3	25.4	24.6	- 0.4	+ 2.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.8	10.9	10.6	- 0.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	421.2	420.9	409.8	+ 0.1	+ 2.8
Federal	50.8	50.7	50.2	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
State	125.2	124.6	120.9	+ 0.5	+ 3.6
Education	63.3	62.7	61.1	+ 1.0	+ 3.6
Other	61.9	61.9	59.8	0	+ 3.5
Local	245.2	245.6	238.7	- 0.2	+ 2.7
Education	130.3	131.1	126.2	- 0.6	+ 3.2
Other	114.9	114.5	112.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.1

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1985	January 1985	February 1984	January 1985	February 1984
MANUFACTURING	649.0	653.0	662.3	- 0.6	- 2.0
DURABLE GOODS	253.0	253.8	248.7	- 0.3	+ 1.7
Lumber & Wood Products	31.5	31.6	31.8	- 0.3	- 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	8.0	8.0	- 2.5	- 2.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.5	3.7	+ 2.9	+ 2.7
Furniture & Fixtures	75.8	75.9	75.9	- 0.1	- 0.1
Household Furniture	67.2	67.4	68.1	- 0.3	- 1.3
Wood Household Furniture	34.4	34.4	35.2	0	- 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.3	15.2	14.9	+ 0.7	+ 2.7
Structural Clay Products	2.0	1.9	1.8	+ 5.3	+11.1
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.4	7.7	0	+ 9.1
Fabricated Metal Products	19.9	20.0	19.0	- 0.5	+ 4.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.2	27.4	27.7	- 0.7	- 1.8
Special Industry Machinery	5.1	5.0	5.2	+ 2.0	- 1.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	46.6	46.8	43.4	- 0.4	+ 7.4
Household Appliances	4.9	5.1	4.5	- 3.9	+ 8.9
Transportation Equipment	17.0	16.9	16.4	+ 0.6	+ 3.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	396.0	399.2	413.6	- 0.8	- 4.3
Food & Kindred Products	29.6	29.7	29.0	- 0.3	+ 2.1
Meat Products	15.8	15.8	15.1	0	+ 4.6
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.3	2.2	2.3	+ 4.5	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.6	19.6	17.5	- 5.1	+ 6.3
Cigarettes	15.6	15.7	15.6	- 0.6	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.6	3.5	1.5	-25.7	+73.3
Textile Mill Products	184.9	186.2	202.6	- 0.7	- 8.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	49.9	51.0	56.8	- 2.2	-12.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	25.0	25.7	29.7	- 2.7	-15.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.4	24.8	26.5	- 1.6	- 7.9
Knitting Mills	65.8	65.3	71.6	+ 0.8	- 8.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.2	20.0	22.0	+ 1.0	- 8.2
Hosiery, NEC	19.8	19.6	20.9	+ 1.0	- 5.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	10.9	10.9	12.8	0	-14.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.9	6.2	0	- 4.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	12.0	12.6	- 0.8	- 5.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.5	47.0	50.3	- 1.1	- 7.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.8	79.5	80.3	- 0.9	- 1.9
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.8	26.7	27.5	+ 0.4	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.2	34.6	36.3	- 1.2	- 5.8
Paper & Allied Products	16.7	16.8	16.9	- 0.6	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	8.2	8.2	- 2.4	- 2.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.5	5.5	5.6	0	- 1.8
Printing & Publishing	15.9	15.9	14.9	0	+ 6.7
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.4	0	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.8	23.6	24.9	+ 0.8	- 4.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.9	8.9	9.6	0	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.1	24.3	23.0	- 0.8	+ 4.8
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	4.5	0	-20.0

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

FEBRUARY, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Feb. 1984	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Feb. 1934	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Feb. 1984
MANUFACTURING	$280.41	$280.67	$275.42	39.0	39.2	39.8	$7.19	$7.16	$6.92
DURABLE GOODS	294.12	296.21	286.72	39.8	40.3	40.1	7.39	7.35	7.15
Lumber & Wood Products	241.30	241.19	228.93	39.3	39.8	39.2	6.14	6.06	5.84
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	241.76	241.90	230.28	40.7	41.0	40.4	5.94	5.90	5.70
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	263.34	261.00	224.32	38.0	37.5	34.3	6.93	6.96	6.54
Furniture & Fixtures	245.50	252.25	234.55	38.3	39.6	38.2	6.41	6.37	6.14
Household Furniture	243.59	250.67	234.17	38.3	39.6	39.9	6.36	6.33	6.13
Wood Household Furniture	238.78	242.35	235.41	38.7	39.6	39.9	6.17	6.12	5.90
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	309.02	318.16	305.25	40.5	41.0	40.7	7.63	7.76	7.50
Structural Clay Products	260.21	262.17	244.22	41.7	40.9	40.5	6.24	6.41	6.03
Primary Metal Industries	356.55	355.32	358.32	41.8	42.1	45.3	8.53	8.44	7.91
Fabricated Metal Products	325.07	322.60	317.29	41.2	41.2	41.1	7.89	7.83	7.72
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	353.21	343.61	334.13	42.3	41.2	41.2	8.35	8.34	8.11
Special Industry Machinery	323.67	319.07	303.97	42.2	41.6	41.3	7.67	7.67	7.36
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	328.83	332.73	349.86	39.1	39.8	41.6	8.41	8.36	8.41
Household Appliances	260.11	254.41	245.38	37.0	36.5	38.4	7.03	6.97	6.39
Transportation Equipment	339.00	351.31	328.02	41.8	43.0	42.0	8.11	8.17	7.81
NONDURABLE GOODS	271.43	271.04	268.88	38.5	38.5	39.6	7.05	7.04	6.79
Food & Kindred Products	252.80	254.34	231.31	40.0	40.5	36.6	6.32	6.28	6.32
Meat Products	209.21	214.65	174.29	39.4	40.5	32.7	5.31	5.30	5.33
Meat Packing	323.95	333.94	298.76	41.8	43.2	38.6	7.75	7.73	7.74
Dairy Products	280.32	271.76	260.29	43.8	43.0	42.6	6.40	6.32	6.11
Grain Mill Products	315.50	300.66	299.84	45.2	43.7	43.9	6.98	6.88	6.83
Bakery Products	290.23	276.98	272.14	41.7	39.4	40.8	6.96	7.03	6.67
Beverages	450.25	459.88	465.16	40.6	42.7	44.9	11.09	10.77	10.36
Tobacco Manufacturers	470.35	453.87	412.46	37.3	36.9	34.4	12.61	12.30	11.99
Cigarettes	519.11	517.72	444.10	37.4	37.3	34.4	13.88	13.88	12.91
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	197.11	184.79	174.93	36.3	34.8	34.3	5.43	5.31	5.10
Textile Mill Products	243.84	242.82	253.71	38.4	38.3	40.4	6.35	6.34	6.28
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	265.68	275.41	278.36	37.9	39.4	40.4	7.01	6.99	6.89
Weaving Mills, Cotton	260.35	280.40	270.96	37.3	40.0	39.1	6.98	7.01	6.93
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	270.66	270.44	286.33	38.5	38.8	41.8	7.03	6.97	6.85
Knitting Mills	219.75	216.22	222.72	37.5	36.4	38.6	5.86	5.94	5.77
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	211.50	214.97	209.28	37.7	37.0	38.4	5.61	5.81	5.45
Hosiery, NEC	209.66	201.37	208.29	35.9	34.6	36.8	5.84	5.82	5.66
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	230.48	224.38	253.26	36.7	35.9	40.2	6.28	6.25	6.30
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	273.14	281.78	279.94	41.7	42.5	43.2	6.55	6.63	6.48
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	268.09	261.76	286.23	39.6	39.6	43.9	6.77	6.61	6.52
Yarn & Thread Mills	237.12	230.83	256.46	39.0	38.6	41.7	6.08	5.98	6.15
Apparel & Other Textile Products	182.58	183.24	186.87	35.8	36.0	37.6	5.10	5.09	4.97
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	176.47	179.57	189.35	34.2	34.6	37.2	5.16	5.19	5.09
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	172.13	174.60	175.85	35.2	36.0	37.1	4.89	4.85	4.74
Paper & Allied Products	471.23	485.32	450.75	42.8	44.2	43.3	11.01	10.98	10.41
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	596.67	604.66	570.68	44.1	45.6	44.9	13.53	13.26	12.71
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	331.14	341.91	328.32	42.4	43.5	43.2	7.81	7.86	7.60
Printing & Publishing	312.39	310.83	292.74	39.0	39.0	39.4	8.01	7.97	7.43
Newspapers	274.70	273.73	267.81	33.5	33.3	33.9	8.20	8.22	7.90
Chemicals & Allied Products	390.16	387.04	363.04	41.2	41.0	40.7	9.47	9.44	8.92
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	451.54	441.41	405.37	42.8	42.2	40.7	10.55	10.46	9.96
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	363.04	367.43	370.19	40.7	41.1	42.6	8.92	8.94	8.69
MINING	356.98	339.95	269.25	44.4	42.6	35.9	8.04	7.98	7.50
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	455.33	457.56	439.27	40.8	41.0	40.9	11.16	11.16	10.74
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	191.32	191.75	191.55	32.1	31.8	32.8	5.96	6.03	5.84
Wholesale Trade	296.81	296.79	288.41	38.9	39.0	39.4	7.63	7.61	7.32
Retail Trade	162.71	162.71	164.92	30.3	29.8	31.0	5.37	5.46	5.32
General Merchandise Stores	144.65	142.18	142.85	27.5	27.5	28.4	5.26	5.17	5.03
Food Stores	193.38	194.63	187.80	33.0	33.1	31.3	5.86	5.88	6.00
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	145.28	136.19	119.26	32.5	30.4	27.8	4.47	4.48	4.29
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	187.44	186.02	176.75	35.3	35.5	35.0	5.31	5.24	5.05

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
March, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT UP IN MARCH: As of mid-March of this year, Statewide total employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 2,874,200, a net monthly surge of 53,800 persons (+1.9 percent). This March North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total employment was estimated to be 2,894,000, which amounted to a net over-the-month gain of 16,000 people (+0.6 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT FALLS OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of March, 1985, the State's manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 812,400 for a net over-the-month drop of 2,200 workers (-0.3 percent). The durable goods segment declined by 400 persons (-0.1 percent) over the month with furniture and fixtures and electrical machinery both losing 600. On the positive side transportation equipment gained 400 workers (+1.9 percent). The nondurable goods segment lost 1,800 people (-0.4 percent) over the month with apparel and related products suffering the largest net decrease (-1,000). Tobacco followed with a seasonal decline of 700. The largest worker increase in nondurables occurred in food and kindred products (+300 or +0.7 percent).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT RISES NOTICEABLY: As of mid-March, 1985, North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,786,000, a good net monthly gain of 14,800 people (+0.8 percent). The four industries enjoying the largest net increases were service and miscellaneous, +5,200; construction, +4,500; trade, +3,200; and government, +1,100.

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: From March, 1984, to March, 1985, manufacturing employment in the State fell by 18,500 workers (-2.2 percent), mainly due to the loss of 18,700 textile employees. On the other hand, there were some positive signs over the year as seen in the electrical machinery (+1,600), nonelectrical machinery (+1,600), food and kindred products (+1,400), and rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+1,200) industries. North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment surged ahead by 88,400 workers (+5.2 percent) over the year as all seven of the industry groups recorded impressive growth. The four groups showing the largest gains were: trade (+31,300), service and miscellaneous (+20,200), construction (+17,500), and government (+10,700).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO DECLINE: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 169,400 in mid-March of this year for a net over-the-month decrease of 32,000 persons (-15.9 percent). As a result, the unadjusted unemployment rate fell from 6.7 percent in February to 5.6 percent in March. Statewide seasonally adjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 164,000 as of the middle of March, 1985, representing a net monthly drop of 21,000 people (-11.4 percent). Consequently, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from 6.0 percent to 5.4 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.5 percent in March, 1985, and 7.8 percent in February, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the United States was 7.3 percent this March and February.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/
March, 1985

	March, 1985	February, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,043,600	3,021,800
Employment	2,874,200	2,820,400
Unemployment	169,400	201,400
Unemployment Rate	5.6	6.7
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,058,000	3,063,000
Employment	2,894,000	2,878,000
Unemployment	164,000	185,000
Unemployment Rate	5.4	6.0
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.5	7.8
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.3

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS INCREASE WHILE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS REMAIN CONSTANT: From the middle of February to the middle of March, 1985, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees increased by 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) to $7.23 for a net yearly gain of 29¢ an hour (+4.2 percent). The durable goods segment recorded a slight net over-the-month rise of 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to reach $7.39 in March of this year. Over the year, however, a more substantial gain of 23¢ an hour (+3.2 percent) was seen. Furniture and fixtures led the way in durable goods with a net over-the-month increase of 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to hit $6.43 this March. Following was lumber and wood which added 4¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to rise to $6.17 over the month. The nondurable goods segment experienced a net monthly increase of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to arrive at $7.12 in March, 1985. Since March of 1984, there has been growth of 31¢ an hour (+4.6 percent). Tobacco manufacturing continued to exhibit the largest net monthly climb in nondurables, up by 17¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) to $13.01. Next came rubber and miscellaneous plastic products with a net over-the-month gain of 9¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to hit $9.01 this March. From mid-February to mid-March of this year, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers rose by $1.16 (+0.4 percent) to $280.52 with a very modest yearly increase of $1.53 (+0.5 percent). Average weekly hours stayed at 38.8 over the month but fell by 1.4 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES IN MARCH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers climbed to 318.8 in March of this year, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. This amounted to an over-the-month gain of 0.4 percent and an over-the-year increase of 3.7 percent. Once again apparel and upkeep registered the largest gain, rising by 1.7 percent from February to March, 1985. Transportation followed, the cost of which rose by 0.8 percent over the month. A close third was medical care, up by 0.7 percent from February to March of this year. In fact, all of the major groups displayed some type of monthly increase. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, fell to 31.4¢ in March, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS FALLS SLIGHTLY: As of March 31, 1985, there were 171,363 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State which was a small net over-the-month drop of 148 people (-0.1 percent). The largest active applicant segment by age was the twenty-two to thirty-nine group which had 107,147 or 62.5 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four sector followed with 29,693 or 17.3 percent. As is invariably the case, the fifty-five and over segment had the lowest number of active applicants with 9,513 or 5.6 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were females (88,888 or 51.9 percent). Also, whites who were not Hispanics comprised the largest ethnic group with 97,397 or 56.8 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of March 31, 1985.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE
March 31, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	171,363	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	25,010	14.6
22-39	107,147	62.5
40-54	29,693	17.3
55 and Over	9,513	5.6
Sex		
Male	82,475	48.1
Female	88,888	51.9
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	97,397	56.8
Black, not Hispanic	69,873	40.8
Hispanic	741	0.4
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,512	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	840	0.5
Eligible Claimant	70,040	40.9
Veteran	31,103	18.2
Handicapped	11,023	6.4
Welfare	25,207	14.7
Seasonal Farmworker	1,152	0.7

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS GROWS OVER THE MONTH: During March, 1985, there were 15,947 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina which amounts to a noticeable net monthly increase of 1,016 (+6.8 percent). A high percentage of those job openings was filled (74.1 percent or 11,816). The occupational group with the largest number of job openings received this March was service with 2,958. Most of those were filled (2,044 or 69.1 percent). A close second was structural work with 2,853 job openings received and 1,906 or 66.8 percent filled. Following was the miscellaneous category with 2,388 job openings received and 1,850 or 77.5 percent filled. There were 192,206 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984, through March 31, 1985. Moreover, a good percentage of those job openings was filled (78.4 percent or 150,767). There were 14,429 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of March 31, 1985. Many of those job openings (8,668 or 60.1 percent) were classified as hard-to-fill because they were open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on North Carolina's job openings for March, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through March 31, 1985).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	March, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Mar. 31, 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	859	402	8,932	3,464	2,429	1,916
Clerical	2,170	1,338	20,800	13,430	1,931	992
Sales	796	402	6,823	3,748	999	578
Service	2,958	2,044	29,093	21,453	2,526	1,393
Domestic	287	217	2,246	1,855	106	58
Other Services	2,671	1,827	26,847	19,598	2,420	1,335
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	1,195	1,022	41,887	40,801	262	157
Processing	646	423	7,376	6,695	471	253
Machine Trades	1,490	1,041	12,664	9,257	1,297	768
Bench Work	592	1,388	15,987	13,885	1,062	641
Structural Work	2,853	1,906	24,783	18,332	2,253	1,334
Miscellaneous	2,388	1,850	23,861	19,702	1,199	636
Motor Freight and Trans.	528	293	4,605	2,963	372	149
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	1,787	1,504	18,642	16,344	771	458
Other	73	53	614	395	56	29
Total	15,947	11,816	192,206	150,767	14,429	8,668

1/ July 1, 1984, through March 31, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1985 (Thous.)	February 1985 (Thous.)	March 1984 (Thous.)	February 1985	March 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2598.4	2585.8	2528.5	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	812.4	814.6	830.9	- 0.3	- 2.2
DURABLE GOODS	331.4	331.8	328.4	- 0.1	+ 0.9
Lumber & Wood Products	36.2	36.3	37.2	- 0.3	- 2.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.1	13.4	0	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.9	8.9	9.1	0	- 2.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.3	4.4	4.7	- 2.3	- 8.5
Furniture & Fixtures	84.3	84.9	85.2	- 0.7	- 1.1
Household Furniture	74.1	74.6	75.7	- 0.7	- 2.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.3	37.4	38.3	- 0.3	- 2.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.4	31.5	31.2	- 0.3	+ 0.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.5	18.5	+ 1.1	+ 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.5	2.3	+ 4.0	+ 13.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.2	5.1	+ 3.8	+ 5.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.0	11.1	10.5	- 0.9	+ 4.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	26.9	26.0	+ 0.4	+ 3.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.4	8.3	0	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.4	55.3	53.8	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Special Industry Machinery	7.5	7.5	7.5	0	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.4	63.0	60.8	- 1.0	+ 2.6
Household Appliances	4.8	5.0	5.4	- 4.0	- 11.1
Transportation Equipment	21.3	20.9	20.7	+ 1.9	+ 2.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.2	15.0	15.6	+ 1.3	- 2.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	481.0	482.8	502.6	- 0.4	- 4.3
Food & Kindred Products	44.1	43.8	42.7	+ 0.7	+ 3.3
Meat Products	18.4	18.4	17.3	0	+ 6.4
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.6	2.6	+ 3.8	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
Beverages	6.2	6.2	6.1	0	+ 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.1	23.8	22.5	- 2.9	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	19.7	19.7	19.6	0	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.9	3.6	2.4	- 19.4	+ 20.8
Textile Mill Products	207.2	207.7	225.9	- 0.2	- 8.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	55.4	55.7	62.2	- 0.5	- 10.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	28.3	32.2	- 0.4	- 12.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.4	26.6	28.9	- 0.8	- 8.7
Knitting Mills	74.8	74.4	80.0	+ 0.5	- 6.5
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.3	23.7	0	- 5.9
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.6	22.7	+ 0.5	- 4.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.0	15.0	+ 2.3	- 11.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.8	6.9	7.1	- 1.4	- 4.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	14.3	15.0	- 0.7	- 5.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.0	50.5	55.1	- 1.0	- 9.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1985 (Thous.)	February 1985 (Thous.)	March 1984 (Thous.)	February 1985	March 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.3	89.3	93.0	- 1.1	- 5.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.2	29.7	31.0	- 1.7	- 5.8
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	38.8	39.5	41.8	- 1.8	- 7.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.5	22.4	22.2	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	11.0	11.0	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.4	7.3	7.4	+ 1.4	0
Printing & Publishing	25.0	25.1	24.1	- 0.4	+ 3.7
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	8.9	0	+ 4.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	36.8	38.6	0	- 4.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.8	12.9	13.9	- 0.8	- 7.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.7	29.6	28.5	+ 3.0	+ 4.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.3	5.1	0	- 15.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1786.0	1771.2	1697.6	+ 0.8	+ 5.2
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.4	0	+ 4.5
CONSTRUCTION	140.9	136.4	123.4	+ 3.3	+ 14.2
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.1	128.7	124.7	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.2	69.9	65.6	+ 0.4	+ 7.0
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.9	53.9	54.1	0	- 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	561.6	558.4	530.3	+ 0.6	+ 5.9
Wholesale Trade	131.4	131.1	127.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.1	79.0	75.7	+ 0.1	+ 4.5
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.3	52.1	52.0	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
Retail Trade	430.2	427.3	402.6	+ 0.7	+ 6.9
General Merchandise Stores	54.9	54.7	53.1	+ 0.4	+ 3.4
Food Stores	66.8	66.7	65.4	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	106.9	106.5	102.8	+ 0.4	+ 4.0
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	411.0	405.8	390.8	+ 1.3	+ 5.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.6	22.1	21.1	+ 2.3	+ 7.1
Personal Services	26.3	26.2	25.7	+ 0.4	+ 2.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.8	10.7	10.6	+ 0.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	431.9	430.8	421.2	+ 0.3	+ 2.5
Federal	50.5	50.4	49.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
State	128.5	128.0	124.0	+ 0.4	+ 3.6
Education	67.1	66.8	64.5	+ 0.4	+ 4.0
Other	61.4	61.2	59.5	+ 0.3	+ 3.2
Local	252.9	252.4	247.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.3
Education	139.6	138.9	135.8	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
Other	113.3	113.5	111.5	- 0.2	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1985 (Thous)	February 1985 (Thous)	March 1984 (Thous)	February 1985	March 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,611.7	2,599.9	2,540.5	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	816.4	820.6	834.9	- 0.5	- 2.2
DURABLE GOODS	332.7	334.0	329.6	- 0.4	+ 0.9
Lumber & Wood Products	36.8	37.1	37.8	- 0.8	- 2.6
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.2	13.4	13.5	- 1.5	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.1	9.2	- 1.1	- 2.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.7	4.9	- 4.3	- 8.2
Furniture & Fixtures	84.4	84.8	85.3	- 0.5	- 1.1
Household Furniture	74.3	74.5	75.9	- 0.3	- 2.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.4	37.7	38.5	- 0.8	- 2.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.4	31.5	31.2	- 0.3	+ 0.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.1	19.0	18.9	+ 0.5	+ 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.8	2.4	- 3.6	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.4	5.2	+ 1.9	+ 5.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.0	11.2	10.5	- 1.8	+ 4.8
Fabricated Metal Products	27.2	27.0	26.3	+ 0.7	+ 3.4
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.5	8.5	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.5	55.4	53.9	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Special Industry Machinery	7.5	7.5	7.5	0	0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.2	63.4	60.6	- 1.9	+ 2.6
Household Appliances	5.2	5.4	5.8	- 3.7	-10.3
Transportation Equipment	21.3	21.0	20.7	+ 1.4	+ 2.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.2	15.1	15.6	+ 0.7	- 2.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.7	486.6	505.3	- 0.6	- 4.3
Food & Kindred Products	44.9	44.8	43.4	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Meat Products	18.4	18.3	17.3	+ 0.5	+ 6.4
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.6	2.6	+ 3.8	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.6	2.7	2.6	- 3.7	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	8.0	- 1.2	0
Beverages	6.3	6.3	6.2	0	+ 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.6	24.4	24.0	+ 0.8	+ 2.5
Cigarettes	19.7	19.7	19.6	0	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.3	4.1	3.5	+ 4.9	+22.9
Textile Mill Products	207.4	208.7	226.1	- 0.6	- 8.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	55.3	56.0	62.1	- 1.2	-11.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.0	27.9	32.0	+ 0.4	-12.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.3	27.1	28.8	- 3.0	- 8.7
Knitting Mills	75.1	74.8	80.3	+ 0.4	- 6.5
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.3	23.9	+ 0.4	- 6.3
Hosiery, NEC	21.8	21.8	22.8	0	- 4.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.2	13.0	14.8	+ 1.5	-10.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	7.0	7.2	- 1.4	- 4.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.5	14.9	- 2.8	- 5.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.1	50.7	55.2	- 1.2	- 9.2

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1985 (Thous)	February 1985 (Thous)	March 1984 (Thous)	February 1985	March 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.9	89.7	93.7	- 0.9	- 5.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.7	29.6	31.5	+ 0.3	- 5.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.0	39.5	42.0	- 1.3	- 7.1
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.3	22.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	10.9	11.0	0	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.4	7.3	7.4	+ 1.4	0
Printing & Publishing	24.6	23.9	23.7	+ 2.9	+ 3.8
Newspapers	9.3	8.9	8.9	+ 4.5	+ 4.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.5	38.7	38.3	- 5.7	- 4.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.7	14.0	13.8	- 9.3	- 8.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.1	28.9	28.9	+ 4.2	+ 4.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	5.2	5.1	-17.3	-15.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,795.3	1,779.3	1,705.6	+ 0.9	+ 5.3
MINING	4.7	4.5	4.4	+ 4.4	+ 6.8
CONSTRUCTION	146.3	133.7	128.1	+ 9.4	+14.2
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.5	125.3	125.1	+ 3.4	+ 3.5
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.3	66.3	65.7	+ 6.0	+ 7.0
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.4	54.3	- 0.6	- 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	573.9	574.2	541.9	- 0.1	+ 5.9
Wholesale Trade	133.1	133.2	129.4	- 0.1	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.1	79.3	75.7	- 0.3	+ 4.5
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.0	53.9	53.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
Retail Trade	440.8	441.0	412.5	- 0.05	+ 6.9
General Merchandise Stores	57.3	56.9	55.4	+ 0.7	+ 3.4
Food Stores	67.7	67.7	66.3	0	- 2.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	107.7	107.6	103.5	+ 0.1	+ 4.1
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	414.7	413.2	394.3	+ 0.4	+ 5.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.9	25.0	23.3	- 0.4	+ 6.9
Personal Services	25.4	25.4	24.8	0	+ 2.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.0	10.8	10.8	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	418.5	420.8	408.3	- 0.5	+ 2.5
Federal	50.7	50.8	50.1	- 2.0	+ 1.2
State	123.6	124.9	119.3	- 0.8	+ 3.6
Education	62.1	63.1	59.7	- 1.6	+ 4.0
Other	61.5	61.8	59.6	- 0.5	+ 3.2
Local	244.2	245.1	238.9	- 0.4	+ 2.2
Education	130.1	130.3	126.6	- 0.2	+ 2.8
Other	114.1	114.8	112.3	- 0.6	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

MARCH, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1985	February 1985	March 1984	February 1985	March 1984
MANUFACTURING	645.7	647.9	666.7	- 0.3	- 3.1
DURABLE GOODS	251.8	252.4	251.6	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	31.2	31.3	32.4	- 0.3	- 3.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.8	8.0	0	- 2.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.4	3.5	3.9	- 2.9	- 12.8
Furniture & Fixtures	75.3	75.8	76.0	- 0.7	- 0.9
Household Furniture	66.7	67.2	68.2	- 0.7	- 2.2
Wood Household Furniture	34.4	34.4	35.2	0	- 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.4	15.2	15.2	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.0	1.8	+ 5.0	+ 16.7
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.4	8.0	- 1.2	+ 3.8
Fabricated Metal Products	20.1	20.0	19.2	+ 0.5	+ 4.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.1	27.3	27.9	- 0.7	- 2.9
Special Industry Machinery	5.1	5.1	5.2	0	- 1.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	45.6	46.1	44.2	- 1.1	+ 3.2
Household Appliances	4.2	4.3	4.8	- 2.3	- 12.5
Transportation Equipment	17.2	16.9	16.8	+ 1.8	+ 2.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	393.9	395.5	415.1	- 0.4	- 5.1
Food & Kindred Products	30.2	30.0	29.1	+ 0.7	+ 3.8
Meat Products	16.2	16.1	15.2	+ 0.6	+ 6.6
Meat Packing	2.0	1.9	1.8	+ 5.3	+ 11.1
Dairy Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.7	1.7	- 5.9	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.4	2.3	2.3	+ 4.3	+ 4.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.0	18.6	17.4	- 3.2	+ 3.4
Cigarettes	15.6	15.6	15.5	0	+ 0.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.0	2.6	1.5	- 23.1	+ 33.3
Textile Mill Products	183.5	183.9	201.4	- 0.2	- 8.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	49.0	49.2	55.4	- 0.4	- 11.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	25.0	25.1	28.9	- 0.4	- 13.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.5	23.6	25.9	- 0.4	- 9.3
Knitting Mills	66.1	65.7	71.3	+ 0.6	- 7.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.1	20.1	21.7	0	- 7.4
Hosiery, NEC	19.9	19.8	20.8	+ 0.5	- 4.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.2	10.9	12.8	+ 2.8	- 12.5
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.9	6.2	0	- 4.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	12.0	12.7	- 0.8	- 6.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	45.7	46.2	50.7	- 1.1	- 9.9
Apparel & Other Textile Products	77.8	78.8	82.4	- 1.3	- 5.6
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.4	26.8	28.2	- 1.5	- 6.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	33.6	34.2	36.4	- 1.8	- 7.7
Paper & Allied Products	16.9	16.7	16.9	+ 1.2	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	8.0	8.2	0	- 2.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.5	5.6	+ 1.8	0
Printing & Publishing	15.7	15.8	15.1	- 0.6	+ 4.0
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.4	0	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.9	23.9	25.2	0	- 5.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.8	8.9	9.6	- 1.1	- 8.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.3	24.2	23.2	+ 0.4	+ 4.7
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	4.4	0	- 18.2

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

MARCH, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	March 1985	February 1985	March 1984	March 1985	February 1985	March 1984	March 1985	February 1985	March 1984
MANUFACTURING	$ 280.52	$279.36	$ 278.99	38.8	38.8	40.2	$ 7.23	$ 7.20	$ 6.94
DURABLE GOODS	294.86	293.72	292.84	39.9	39.8	40.9	7.39	7.38	7.16
Lumber & Wood Products	246.18	239.07	236.93	39.9	39.0	40.5	6.17	6.13	5.85
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	243.58	240.59	238.78	39.8	40.3	41.6	6.12	5.97	5.74
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	277.77	259.88	260.55	39.4	37.5	39.9	7.05	6.93	6.53
Furniture & Fixtures	247.56	243.59	240.63	38.5	38.3	39.0	6.43	6.36	6.17
Household Furniture	246.65	241.04	239.24	38.6	38.2	38.9	6.39	6.31	6.15
Wood Household Furniture	237.62	230.89	234.42	38.7	38.1	39.8	6.14	6.16	5.89
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	318.17	309.32	311.50	41.7	40.7	41.7	7.63	7.60	7.47
Structural Clay Products	256.68	260.42	261.27	41.4	41.6	43.4	6.20	6.26	6.02
Primary Metal Industries	353.19	359.97	355.84	42.4	42.3	45.1	8.33	8.51	7.89
Fabricated Metal Products	321.85	323.11	325.26	46.0	40.9	41.7	7.85	7.90	7.80
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	340.72	346.09	338.55	41.5	41.9	41.9	8.21	8.26	8.08
Special Industry Machinery	316.52	324.59	308.16	41.0	42.1	41.7	7.72	7.71	7.39
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	332.35	333.72	349.86	39.1	39.4	42.0	8.50	8.47	8.33
Household Appliances	262.09	260.88	261.87	36.3	36.9	40.6	7.22	7.07	6.45
Transportation Equipment	343.93	342.76	334.19	42.2	41.8	42.9	8.15	8.20	7.79
NONDURABLE GOODS	271.27	270.46	271.04	38.1	38.2	39.8	7.12	7.08	6.81
Food & Kindred Products	240.59	242.14	243.59	36.9	37.6	38.3	6.52	6.44	6.36
Meat Products	191.34	191.68	191.89	34.6	35.3	35.8	5.53	5.43	5.36
Meat Packing	295.54	320.54	321.57	39.3	41.9	40.5	7.52	7.65	7.94
Dairy Products	282.74	271.99	265.55	43.7	42.9	42.9	6.47	6.34	6.19
Grain Mill Products	289.26	312.06	290.44	41.8	44.9	42.4	6.92	6.95	6.85
Bakery Products	278.39	287.58	276.97	39.6	41.2	41.4	7.03	6.98	6.69
Beverages	463.36	448.84	479.98	42.2	40.4	44.9	10.98	11.11	10.69
Tobacco Manufacturers	477.47	473.80	446.52	36.7	36.9	36.6	13.01	12.84	12.20
Cigarettes	515.27	523.92	485.45	36.7	37.0	37.4	14.04	14.16	12.98
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	206.64	196.57	163.76	36.0	36.2	29.4	5.75	5.43	5.57
Textile Mill Products	243.46	242.95	252.05	38.1	38.2	40.2	6.39	6.36	6.27
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	270.89	268.48	269.01	38.1	38.3	39.1	7.11	7.01	6.88
Weaving Mills, Cotton	276.57	268.61	256.78	38.2	38.1	37.0	7.24	7.05	6.94
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	265.56	269.43	283.03	38.1	38.6	41.5	6.97	6.98	6.82
Knitting Mills	215.72	215.65	224.46	36.5	36.8	38.7	5.91	5.86	5.80
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	202.06	200.84	206.05	35.7	35.8	37.6	5.66	5.61	5.48
Hosiery, NEC	204.39	211.12	217.55	35.3	36.4	37.9	5.79	5.80	5.74
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	240.67	231.58	250.57	37.9	36.7	39.9	6.35	6.31	6.28
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	272.83	266.67	280.58	41.4	40.9	43.3	6.59	6.52	6.48
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	282.57	275.40	295.68	41.8	40.8	44.8	6.76	6.75	6.60
Yarn & Thread Mills	236.07	236.07	253.95	38.7	38.7	41.7	6.10	6.10	6.09
Apperel & Other Textile Products	184.37	181.86	190.76	35.8	35.8	38.0	5.15	5.08	5.02
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	178.88	178.19	189.30	34.4	34.4	36.9	5.20	5.18	5.13
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	171.91	172.79	180.00	35.3	35.7	37.5	4.87	4.84	4.80
Paper & Allied Products	468.85	467.57	467.57	42.7	42.7	43.2	10.98	10.95	10.37
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	598.97	596.29	557.66	44.5	44.4	44.4	13.46	13.43	12.56
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	330.30	324.53	328.75	41.6	41.5	43.2	7.94	7.82	7.61
Printing & Publishing	316.78	317.96	302.71	39.4	39.4	40.2	8.04	8.07	7.53
Newspapers	282.05	277.35	277.29	33.9	33.7	35.1	8.32	8.23	7.90
Chemicals & Allied Products	400.78	395.73	355.66	42.5	41.7	40.6	9.43	9.49	8.76
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	453.22	451.54	394.63	43.0	42.8	40.6	10.54	10.55	9.72
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	361.30	363.94	370.64	40.1	40.8	42.7	9.01	8.92	8.68
MINING	376.36	341.48	317.12	47.4	42.9	41.4	7.94	7.96	7.66
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	461.34	457.77	444.29	41.6	40.7	41.1	11.09	11.10	10.81
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	193.48	191.68	192.79	32.3	32.0	32.9	5.99	5.99	5.86
Wholesale Trade	299.77	298.33	292.64	39.6	39.1	39.6	7.57	7.63	7.39
Retail Trade	165.07	162.84	165.76	30.4	30.1	31.1	5.43	5.41	5.33
General Merchandise Stores	147.00	144.87	146.79	28.0	27.7	29.3	5.25	5.23	5.01
Food Stores	192.14	191.81	188.69	32.9	32.9	31.5	5.84	5.83	5.99
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	136.92	140.22	123.06	30.7	31.3	29.3	4.46	4.48	4.20
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	187.26	188.14	175.58	35.6	35.1	34.7	5.26	5.36	5.06

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY

April, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: Total employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina was estimated to be 2,870,100 in the middle of April, 1985, a net over-the-month drop of 4,100 people (-0.1 percent). Statewide seasonally adjusted total employment this April was estimated to be 2,865,000 which represented a loss of 29,000 persons (-1.0 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN APRIL: Statewide manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 815,700 in mid-April of this year, a modest net monthly gain of 3,900 people (+0.5 percent). The durable goods sector only accounted for 400 of that increase with no really significant activity occurring. The two leading durable goods industries were electrical machinery (+400) and lumber and wood (+300). The nondurable goods sector experienced a substantial rise of 3,500 workers (+0.7 percent) over the month, primarily due to growth in two industry groups: textile mill products (+2,000) and apparel and related products (+1,400).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS GOOD GROWTH: Nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 1,801,900 in the middle of April of this year, a strong net over-the-month increase of 14,600 workers (+0.8 percent). The four industry groups registering the largest net monthly gains were service and miscellaneous (+6,400), construction (+2,800), trade (+2,600), and finance, insurance, and real estate (+1,100).

MANUFACTURING FALLS BUT NONMANUFACTURING RISES SINCE LAST YEAR: North Carolina's manufacturing employment declined by 17,800 people (-2.1 percent) over the year with a large contributing factor being the cutback of 17,300 textile workers. Apparel and related products suffered a significant loss of 4,200 employees. Those decreases were partially offset by measurable growth in electrical machinery (+2,200), nonelectrical machinery (+1,100), printing, publishing, and allied (+1,100), and rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+1,100). Statewide nonmanufacturing employment climbed by 93,000 persons (+5.4 percent) since last April. Six of the seven industry groups accounted for this gain. Trade (+27,300), service and miscellaneous (+24,000), construction (+16,600), and government (+16,200) registered the largest increases.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT FALLS OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of April, 1985, total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 157,400, a decline of 12,000 people (-7.1 percent) from March, 1985. Consequently, the unadjusted rate of unemployment dropped from 5.6 percent in March to 5.2 percent in April. North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 177,000 as of mid-April of this year. A net over-the-month increase of 13,000 persons (+7.9 percent) resulted, and the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment grew from 5.4 percent to 5.8 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.1 percent in April, 1985, and 7.5 percent in March, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the Nation was 7.3 percent this April and March.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/
April, 1985

	April, 1985	March, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,027,500	3,043,600
Employment	2,870,100	2,874,200
Unemployment	157,400	169,400
Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.6
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,042,000	3,058,000
Employment	2,865,000	2,894,000
Unemployment	177,000	164,000
Unemployment Rate	5.8	5.4
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.1	7.5
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.3

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS DECREASE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers fell by 2¢ an hour (-0.3 percent) to $7.21 from mid-March to mid-April of this year. Over the year, however, a modest increase of 24¢ an hour (+3.4 percent) was seen. The durable goods sector also suffered a net monthly decline of 2¢ an hour (-0.3 percent) to fall to $7.37 in April, 1985. Since April of last year, durable goods has grown by 21¢ an hour (+2.9 percent). The durable goods industry group which experienced the largest net monthly gain was electrical machinery, rising by 6¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to reach $8.46 in April, 1985. Workers in the transportation equipment industry saw a minimal increase of 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to reach $8.22 this April. The nondurable goods sector sustained a net over-the-month decrease as well, down by 3¢ an hour (-0.4 percent) to $7.10. Since April of 1984, however, nondurable goods has added 25¢ an hour (+3.6 percent). Tobacco again led the way in nondurables with a net over-the-month surge of 25¢ and hour (+1.9 percent) to rise to $13.37. Paper and allied products followed with a net monthly jump of 19¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to arrive at $11.17 in April, 1985. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees declined by $4.39 (-1.6 percent) to $276.86 over the month. The average was also down over the year (-$4.03). Average weekly hours stood at 38.4 in April of this year, down by 0.5 of an hour over the month and by 1.9 hours since last April.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX CONTINUES TO CLIMB: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index (cost of living) for all urban consumers rose to 320.1 in April, 1985, a monthly increase of 0.4 percent and a yearly gain of 3.7 percent. The cost of transportation rose the most, up by 1.0 percent over the month. Medical care and entertainment tied for a distant second with monthly increases of 0.4 percent each. The cost of food and beverages, remained the same over the month. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $320.10 in April of this year.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES IN APRIL: There were 166,806 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of April 30, 1985, a noticeable net monthly decrease of 4,557 persons (-2.7 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine sector was by far the largest applicant group by age with 103,486 or 62.0 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four segment had 28,980 or 17.4 percent and the fewest active applicants were seen in the fifty-five and over sector which had 9,446 or 5.7 percent of the total. More than half of the active applicants (87,646 or 52.5 percent) were females, and most of the active applicants were white, not Hispanic (93,673 or 56.1 percent). The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of April 30, 1985.

Statewide Active Applicant File
April 30, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	166,806	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	24,894	14.9
22-39	103,486	62.0
40-54	28,980	17.4
55 and Over	9,446	5.7
Sex		
Male	79,160	47.5
Female	87,646	52.5
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	93,673	56.1
Black, not Hispanic	69,067	41.4
Hispanic	798	0.5
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,447	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	821	0.5
Eligible Claimant	69,293	41.5
Veteran	29,804	17.9
Handicapped	10,738	6.4
Welfare	25,150	15.1
Seasonal Farmworker	1,293	0.8

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS INCREASES IN APRIL: There were 19,483 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during April of this year, with a significant net over-the-month gain of 3,536 (+22.2 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (13,683 or 70.2 percent). Structural work was the occupational category with the largest number of job openings received in April with 4,483. The majority of those was filled (2,398 or 53.5 percent). Service followed with 3,546 job openings and 2,310 or 65.1 percent filled. The miscellaneous group came next with 2,620 job openings received in April, 1985, and 2,061 or 78.7 percent filled. Processing recorded the fewest job openings with just 524; however, a high percentage was filled (85.3 percent or 447). From July 1, 1984, through April 30, 1985, there were 211,630 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. In addition, 164,450 or 77.7 percent were filled. As of April 30, 1985, there were 14,412 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Almost half of those job openings (46.6 percent or 6,717) had been open for thirty days or more and were, therefore, classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings for April, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through April 30, 1985).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	April, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Apr. 30, 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	-	376	8,873	3,840	1,389	812
Clerical	2,431	1,496	23,231	14,926	1,836	801
Sales	753	383	7,576	4,131	915	505
Service	3,546	2,310	32,639	23,763	2,585	1,143
Domestic	284	231	2,530	2,086	89	42
Other Services	3,262	2,079	30,109	21,677	2,496	1,101
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	1,862	1,867	43,749	42,668	254	131
Processing	524	447	7,900	7,142	443	319
Machine Trades	1,472	1,083	14,136	10,340	1,182	654
Bench Work	1,792	1,262	17,779	15,147	1,204	636
Structural Work	4,483	2,398	29,266	20,730	3,387	1,181
Miscellaneous	2,620	2,061	26,481	21,763	1,217	535
Motor Freight and Trans.	520	331	5,125	3,294	357	159
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	1,985	1,662	20,627	18,006	782	347
Other	115	68	729	463	78	29
Total	19,483	13,683	211,630	164,450	14,412	6,717

1/ July 1, 1984, through April 30, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1985 (Thous.)	March 1985 (Thous.)	April 1984 (Thous.)	March 1985	April 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,617.6	2,599.1	2,542.4	+ 0.7	+ 3.0
MANUFACTURING	815.7	811.8	833.5	+ 0.5	- 2.1
DURABLE GOODS	332.4	332.0	329.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.8
Lumber & Wood Products	36.5	36.2	37.1	+ 0.8	- 1.6
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.3	13.2	13.4	+ 0.8	- 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.9	8.9	9.3	0	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.4	4.6	+ 2.3	- 2.2
Furniture & Fixtures	84.3	84.4	85.4	- 0.1	- 1.3
Household Furniture	74.1	74.2	75.8	- 0.1	- 2.2
Wood Household Furniture	36.9	37.2	38.4	- 0.8	- 3.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.7	31.6	31.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.6	18.6	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.6	2.4	+ 3.8	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.3	5.2	+ 1.9	+ 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.3	11.1	10.7	+ 1.8	+ 5.6
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	26.8	26.1	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.4	8.4	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.1	55.4	54.0	- 0.5	+ 2.0
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.5	7.5	- 2.7	- 2.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.5	63.1	61.3	+ 0.6	+ 3.6
Household Appliances	5.7	5.5	5.5	+ 3.6	+ 3.6
Transportation Equipment	21.2	21.2	20.8	0	+ 1.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	15.2	15.8	- 2.0	- 5.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.3	479.8	503.7	+ 0.7	- 4.1
Food & Kindred Products	44.2	44.0	43.2	+ 0.5	+ 2.3
Meat Products	18.5	18.3	17.4	+ 1.1	+ 6.3
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 3.7	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	7.9	8.0	8.0	- 1.2	- 1.2
Beverages	6.2	6.2	6.1	0	+ 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.6	23.1	22.4	- 2.2	+ 0.9
Cigarettes	19.9	19.7	19.7	+ 1.0	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.3	2.9	2.4	-20.7	- 4.2
Textile Mill Products	208.6	206.6	225.9	+ 1.0	- 7.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	55.6	55.1	61.9	+ 0.9	-10.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	27.9	31.8	+ 1.1	-11.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.7	26.5	29.2	+ 0.8	- 8.6
Knitting Mills	75.1	74.6	80.0	+ 0.7	- 6.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.1	22.1	23.3	0	- 5.2
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.7	23.0	0	- 5.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.4	13.2	15.1	+ 1.5	-11.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.8	7.2	+ 1.5	- 4.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.4	14.2	15.0	+ 1.4	- 4.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.8	50.0	55.4	+ 1.6	- 8.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1985 (Thous.)	March 1985 (Thous.)	April 1984 (Thous.)	March 1985	April 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.1	87.7	93.3	+ 1.6	- 4.5
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.5	28.7	31.1	+ 2.8	- 5.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.0	38.7	42.1	+ 0.8	- 7.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.2	22.5	22.2	- 1.3	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.9	10.9	- 2.8	- 2.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.4	7.4	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	25.1	25.0	24.0	+ 0.4	+ 4.6
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	9.0	0	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.1	36.9	38.6	+ 0.5	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.9	12.7	13.8	+ 1.6	- 6.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	29.7	28.9	+ 1.0	+ 3.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.3	5.2	+ 2.3	-15.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,801.9	1,787.3	1,708.9	+ 0.8	+ 5.4
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	143.6	140.8	127.0	+ 2.0	+13.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.3	129.4	125.7	+ 0.7	+ 3.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	71.1	70.3	66.5	+ 1.1	+ 6.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.0	54.1	+ 0.2	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	563.9	561.3	536.6	+ 0.5	+ 5.1
Wholesale Trade	131.6	131.4	127.8	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.3	79.1	75.8	+ 0.3	+ 4.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.3	52.3	52.0	0	+ 0.6
Retail Trade	432.3	429.9	408.8	+ 0.6	+ 5.7
General Merchandise Stores	55.3	54.9	53.5	+ 0.7	+ 3.4
Food Stores	67.0	66.8	65.6	+ 0.3	+ 2.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	107.9	106.8	103.6	+ 1.0	+ 4.2
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	417.9	411.5	393.9	+ 1.6	+ 6.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.5	22.8	22.2	+ 3.1	+ 5.9
Personal Services	26.8	26.4	25.6	+ 1.5	+ 4.7
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.8	10.7	10.6	+ 0.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	433.7	432.9	417.5	+ 0.2	+ 3.9
Federal	50.6	50.2	50.0	+ 0.8	+ 1.2
State	130.0	129.4	120.3	+ 0.5	+ 8.1
Education	68.2	68.0	64.3	+ 0.3	+ 6.1
Other	61.8	61.4	56.0	+ 0.7	+10.4
Local	253.1	253.3	247.2	- 0.1	+ 2.4
Education	139.7	139.8	135.5	- 0.1	+ 3.1
Other	113.4	113.5	111.7	- 0.1	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1985 (Thous.)	March 1985 (Thous.)	April 1984 (Thous.)	March 1985	April 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2618.6	2612.4	2543.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
MANUFACTURING	819.6	815.8	837.4	+ 0.5	- 2.1
DURABLE GOODS	333.4	333.3	330.8	+ 0.03	+ 0.8
Lumber & Wood Products	36.8	36.8	37.4	0	- 1.6
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.3	13.3	13.4	0	- 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.0	9.4	0	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.6	4.6	- 2.2	- 2.2
Furniture & Fixtures	84.0	84.5	85.1	- 0.6	- 1.3
Household Furniture	73.7	74.4	75.4	- 0.9	- 2.3
Wood Household Furniture	36.5	37.3	38.0	- 2.1	- 3.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.8	31.6	31.2	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	19.0	18.8	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.7	2.5	+ 3.7	+ 12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.4	5.2	0	+ 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.3	11.1	10.7	+ 1.8	+ 5.6
Fabricated Metal Products	27.4	27.1	26.6	+ 1.1	+ 3.0
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.7	8.6	8.6	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.3	55.5	54.2	- 0.4	+ 2.0
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.5	7.5	- 2.7	- 2.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.9	62.9	61.7	+ 1.6	+ 3.6
Household Appliances	6.2	5.9	6.0	+ 5.1	+ 3.3
Transportation Equipment	21.0	21.2	20.6	- 4.7	+ 1.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.8	15.2	15.7	- 2.6	- 5.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	486.2	482.5	506.6	+ 0.8	- 4.0
Food & Kindred Products	44.8	44.8	43.8	0	+ 2.3
Meat Products	18.7	18.3	17.6	+ 2.2	+ 6.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 3.7	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	7.9	8.0	8.0	- 1.2	- 1.2
Beverages	6.3	6.3	6.2	0	+ 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.6	24.6	24.4	0	+ 0.8
Cigarettes	20.1	19.7	19.9	+ 2.0	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.9	4.3	4.1	- 9.3	- 4.9
Textile Mill Products	208.4	206.8	225.7	+ 0.8	- 7.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	55.5	55.5	61.8	+ 0.9	- 10.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	27.7	31.8	+ 1.8	- 11.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.7	26.4	29.2	+ 1.1	- 8.6
Knitting Mills	75.2	74.9	80.1	+ 0.4	- 6.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.3	23.4	- 0.4	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.8	23.0	- 0.5	- 5.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.2	13.1	14.9	+ 0.8	- 11.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.9	7.1	0	- 2.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.5	14.1	15.1	+ 2.8	- 4.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.8	50.0	55.4	+ 1.6	- 8.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1985 (Thous.)	March 1985 (Thous.)	April 1984 (Thous.)	March 1985	April 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.8	88.3	94.1	+ 1.7	- 4.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.9	29.2	31.5	+ 2.4	- 5.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.1	38.9	42.2	+ 0.5	- 7.3
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.4	22.3	- 0.4	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.9	11.0	- 1.8	- 2.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.4	7.4	- 1.4	- 1.4
Printing & Publishing	24.9	24.6	23.8	+ 1.2	+ 4.6
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	9.0	0	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	36.6	38.3	+ 0.5	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.8	12.6	13.7	+ 1.6	- 6.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	30.1	29.0	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.3	5.2	+ 2.3	- 15.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1799.0	1796.6	1705.8	+ 0.1	+ 5.5
MINING	4.6	4.7	4.6	- 2.1	0
CONSTRUCTION	146.1	146.2	129.2	- 0.1	+ 13.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.8	129.8	126.2	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	71.5	70.4	66.8	+ 1.6	+ 7.0
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.2	54.3	+ 0.2	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	571.1	573.6	543.5	- 0.4	+ 5.1
Wholesale Trade	133.5	133.1	129.7	+ 0.3	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.4	79.1	75.9	+ 0.4	+ 4.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.1	54.0	53.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
Retail Trade	437.6	440.5	413.8	- 0.7	+ 5.8
General Merchandise Stores	57.3	57.3	55.4	0	+ 3.4
Food Stores	68.0	67.7	66.6	+ 0.4	+ 2.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	108.6	107.6	104.2	+ 0.9	+ 4.2
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	417.5	415.2	393.5	+ 0.6	+ 6.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.0	25.2	22.7	- 4.8	+ 5.7
Personal Services	25.9	25.5	24.7	+ 1.6	+ 4.9
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.9	10.7	0	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	420.3	419.5	404.6	+ 0.2	+ 3.9
Federal	50.6	50.4	50.0	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
State	125.5	124.5	116.1	+ 0.8	+ 8.1
Education	63.7	63.0	60.1	+ 1.1	+ 6.0
Other	61.8	61.5	56.0	+ 0.5	+ 10.4
Local	244.2	244.6	238.5	- 0.2	+ 2.4
Education	130.0	130.3	126.0	- 0.2	+ 3.2
Other	114.2	114.3	112.5	- 0.1	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	APRIL 1985	MARCH 1985	APRIL 1984	MARCH 1985	APRIL 1984
MANUFACTURING	648.6	645.1	668.8	+ 0.5	- 3.0
DURABLE GOODS	252.5	252.4	252.7	*	- 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	31.5	31.2	32.2	+ 1.0	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	7.8	8.1	+ 1.3	- 2.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.5	3.7	+ 2.9	- 2.7
Furniture & Fixtures	75.2	75.3	76.4	- 0.1	- 1.6
Household Furniture	66.7	66.7	68.3	0	- 2.3
Wood Household Furniture	34.0	34.2	35.4	- 0.6	- 4.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.5	15.4	15.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.1	1.9	0	+10.5
Primary Metal Industries	8.5	8.4	8.0	+ 1.2	+ 6.2
Fabricated Metal Products	20.1	20.0	19.4	+ 0.5	+ 3.6
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.8	27.0	27.9	- 0.7	- 3.9
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	5.1	5.1	- 2.0	- 2.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	46.5	46.3	44.7	+ 0.4	+ 4.0
Household Appliances	5.0	4.9	4.8	+ 2.0	+ 4.2
Transportation Equipment	17.2	17.2	16.9	0	+ 1.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	396.1	392.7	416.1	+ 0.9	- 4.8
Food & Kindred Products	30.5	30.2	29.5	+ 1.0	+ 3.4
Meat Products	16.3	16.1	15.4	+ 1.2	+ 5.8
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.4	1.3	1.3	+ 7.7	+ 7.7
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.4	4.5	4.6	- 2.2	- 4.3
Beverages	2.4	2.4	2.3	0	+ 4.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.5	18.0	17.4	- 2.8	+ 0.6
Cigarettes	15.7	15.6	15.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.4	2.0	1.4	-30.0	0
Textile Mill Products	184.9	182.9	201.5	+ 1.1	- 8.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	49.2	48.7	55.2	+ 1.0	-10.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	25.0	24.7	28.4	+ 1.2	-12.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.7	23.5	26.2	+ 0.9	- 9.5
Knitting Mills	66.3	65.9	71.4	+ 0.6	- 7.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.9	19.9	21.4	0	- 7.0
Hosiery, NEC	19.9	19.9	21.1	0	- 5.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.3	11.1	12.9	+ 1.8	-12.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.0	5.9	6.3	+ 1.7	- 4.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.2	11.9	12.7	+ 2.5	- 3.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.5	45.7	50.9	+ 1.8	- 8.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.5	77.3	82.7	+ 1.6	- 5.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.6	25.9	28.2	+ 2.7	- 5.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	33.8	33.5	36.6	+ 0.9	- 7.7
Paper & Allied Products	16.7	16.8	16.8	- 0.6	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	8.0	8.1	- 2.5	- 3.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.5	5.5	5.6	0	- 1.8
Printing & Publishing	15.7	15.7	14.9	0	+ 5.4
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.4	0	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.2	24.0	25.2	+ 0.8	- 4.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.9	8.8	9.6	+ 1.1	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.5	24.2	23.6	+ 1.2	+ 3.8
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	4.5	0	-20.0

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

April, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	April 1985	March 1985	April 1984	April 1985	March 1985	April 1984	April 1985	March 1985	April 1984
MANUFACTURING	$276.86	$281.25	$280.89	38.4	38.9	40.3	$ 7.21	$ 7.23	$ 6.97
DURABLE GOODS	291.12	295.60	293.56	39.5	40.0	41.0	7.37	7.39	7.16
Lumber & Wood Products	244.11	248.84	240.26	39.5	40.2	41.0	6.18	6.19	5.86
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	244.40	248.06	235.57	40.0	40.4	41.4	6.11	6.14	5.69
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	255.30	280.19	269.12	37.0	39.8	40.9	6.90	7.04	6.58
Furniture & Fixtures	246.27	248.84	240.01	38.3	38.7	38.9	6.43	6.43	6.17
Household Furniture	245.12	247.04	238.01	38.3	38.6	38.7	6.40	6.40	6.15
Wood Household Furniture	240.47	242.70	233.05	39.1	39.4	39.5	6.15	6.16	5.90
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	314.42	322.28	314.67	41.1	41.8	41.9	7.65	7.71	7.51
Structural Clay Products	254.00	262.50	266.91	41.3	41.6	43.9	6.15	6.31	6.08
Primary Metal Industries	356.36	350.27	356.63	43.3	42.1	45.2	8.23	8.32	7.89
Fabricated Metal Products	312.38	320.66	319.30	40.1	40.9	41.2	7.79	7.84	7.75
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	324.41	344.84	349.68	40.1	41.9	42.8	8.09	8.23	8.17
Special Industry Machinery	308.45	314.69	304.63	39.8	40.5	41.0	7.75	7.77	7.43
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	329.09	329.28	349.86	38.9	39.2	42.0	8.46	8.40	8.33
Household Appliances	253.02	261.32	261.14	37.1	36.6	40.3	6.82	7.14	6.48
Transportation Equipment	338.66	342.36	330.84	41.2	41.7	42.8	8.22	8.21	7.73
NONDURABLE GOODS	268.38	271.65	273.22	37.8	38.1	39.9	7.10	7.13	6.85
Food & Kindred Products	253.74	243.10	241.92	39.4	37.4	37.8	6.44	6.50	6.40
Meat Products	204.50	192.50	188.30	37.8	35.0	35.0	5.41	5.50	5.38
Meat Packing	315.34	306.53	308.85	40.9	40.6	39.8	7.71	7.55	7.76
Dairy Products	301.60	286.23	269.51	46.4	43.9	43.4	6.50	6.52	6.21
Grain Mill Products	293.61	289.76	288.27	42.8	42.3	41.9	6.86	6.85	6.88
Bakery Products	294.77	283.39	292.14	41.4	40.6	42.4	7.12	6.98	6.89
Beverages	499.78	464.77	480.16	45.6	42.6	44.5	10.96	10.91	10.79
Tobacco Manufacturers	425.17	480.19	470.32	31.8	36.6	38.3	13.37	13.12	12.28
Cigarettes	448.22	518.62	509.44	31.3	36.6	38.8	14.32	14.17	13.13
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	190.40	206.64	177.89	35.0	36.0	33.5	5.44	5.74	5.31
Textile Mill Products	242.68	243.84	253.08	37.8	38.1	40.3	6.42	6.40	6.28
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	274.99	265.50	271.26	38.3	37.5	39.2	7.18	7.08	6.92
Weaving Mills, Cotton	294.80	273.13	253.92	40.0	38.2	36.8	7.37	7.15	6.90
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	255.80	258.30	290.37	36.7	36.9	41.9	6.97	7.00	6.93
Knitting Mills	214.07	218.45	226.98	36.1	36.9	39.0	5.93	5.92	5.82
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	200.86	206.39	203.66	35.3	36.4	37.3	5.69	5.67	5.46
Hosiery, NEC	191.98	205.90	210.36	33.1	35.5	37.1	5.80	5.80	5.67
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	250.51	246.65	258.48	38.6	38.3	40.9	6.49	6.44	6.32
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	279.07	272.35	292.60	43.0	41.9	44.4	6.49	6.50	6.59
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	283.82	280.13	296.58	41.8	41.5	44.8	6.79	6.75	6.62
Yarn & Thread Mills	230.66	236.39	252.93	38.0	38.5	41.6	6.07	6.14	6.08
Apparel & Other Textile Products	183.37	184.53	192.41	35.4	35.9	38.1	5.18	5.14	5.05
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	182.16	177.48	194.91	34.5	34.0	37.7	5.28	5.22	5.17
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	165.87	173.63	178.93	34.2	35.8	37.2	4.85	4.85	4.81
Paper & Allied Products	491.48	469.94	462.88	44.0	42.8	44.0	11.17	10.98	10.52
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	646.06	598.97	584.77	47.4	44.5	45.9	13.63	13.46	12.74
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	333.18	331.47	338.57	41.7	41.8	43.8	7.99	7.93	7.73
Printing & Publishing	331.71	315.58	303.11	40.7	39.3	40.2	8.15	8.03	7.54
Newspapers	290.15	278.46	278.88	35.0	34.0	34.6	8.29	8.19	8.06
Chemicals & Allied Products	385.33	392.92	364.90	41.3	41.8	41.0	9.33	9.40	8.90
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	439.52	453.45	417.00	42.1	42.9	41.7	10.44	10.57	10.00
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	329.96	362.10	367.22	37.2	40.1	42.7	8.87	9.03	8.60
MINING	380.48	374.14	319.79	47.5	47.6	42.3	8.01	7.86	7.56
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	467.87	455.92	448.67	41.7	41.0	41.2	11.22	11.12	10.89
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	194.18	192.46	195.80	32.8	32.4	33.3	5.92	5.94	5.88
Wholesale Trade	295.50	297.04	296.11	39.4	39.5	39.8	7.50	7.52	7.44
Retail Trade	166.78	163.55	169.38	31.0	30.4	31.6	5.38	5.38	5.36
General Merchandise Stores	154.57	150.77	147.29	29.0	28.5	29.4	5.33	5.29	5.01
Food Stores	196.04	189.80	191.04	33.8	32.5	32.0	5.80	5.84	5.97
SERVICES. Hotels & Other Lodging Places	137.90	133.95	125.76	31.2	30.1	29.8	4.42	4.45	4.22
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	196.88	187.80	177.06	36.8	35.5	35.2	5.35	5.29	5.03

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA

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May, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT GROWS IN MAY: Statewide total employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 2,921,400 as of mid-May of this year, a net monthly jump of 51,300 workers (+1.8 percent). North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total employment was estimated to be 2,884,000 in the middle of May, 1985, a net over-the-month gain of 19,000 people (+0.7 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of May, 1985, manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina was estimated to be 810,300, a noticeable net over-the-month decrease of 3,700 persons (-0.5 percent). The durable goods segment fell by 1,700 workers (-0.5 percent), mainly due to losses in furniture and fixtures (-1,000) and electrical machinery (-400). The nondurable goods segment dropped also, losing 2,000 people (-0.4 percent) as textile mill products declined by 1,700 and apparel and related products lost 500.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES MODEST INCREASE: The State's nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,808,100 as of mid-May, 1985, a net monthly gain of 6,700 persons (+0.4 percent). Several of the industry groups enjoyed good net over-the-month growth: trade (+3,800), service and miscellaneous (+2,800), and construction (+2,300).

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: Since May of last year, Statewide manufacturing employment has fallen by 23,500 workers (-2.8 percent), with the largest decline occurring in textile mill products (-18,100). Moreover, apparel and related products sustained a yearly loss of 4,800. The few industry gains were modest in nature (all under 1,000) with the exception of printing and publishing, which rose by 1,000 (+4.1 percent). North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment, on the other hand, surged ahead over the year by 81,500 people (+4.7 percent). All seven of the industry groups registered annual growth with the four largest being service and miscellaneous (+25,300), trade (+24,300), construction (+14,500), and government (+10,100).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN MAY: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 167,100 as of mid-May of this year, a surge of 9,700 persons (+6.2 percent) over the month. As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 5.2 percent in April to 5.4 percent in May. Seasonally adjusted total unemployment in the State was estimated to be 181,000 in the middle of May, 1985. a monthly increase of 4,000 people (+2.3 percent). Consequently, the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment inched forward from 5.8 percent to 5.9 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.0 percent in May, 1985, and 7.1 percent in April, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the United States was 7.3 percent this May and April.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/
May, 1985

	May, 1985	April, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,088,500	3,027,500
Employment	2,921,400	2,870,100
Unemployment	167,100	157,400
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.2
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,065,000	3,042,000
Employment	2,884,000	2,865,000
Unemployment	181,000	177,000
Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.8
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.0	7.1
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.3

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS INCREASE: From the middle of April to the middle of May, 1985, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing productive employees rose by a modest 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $7.24. Since May of last year, there was a gain of 29¢ an hour (+4.2 percent). The durable goods segment added 4¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) over the month to rise to $7.42 this May. Over the year, durable goods increased by 26¢ an hour (+3.6 percent). Transportation equipment was the durable goods industry group that enjoyed the largest net over-the-month increase, up by 29¢ an hour (+3.6 percent) to hit $8.39 in May of this year. Primary metals, gained 18¢ an hour (+2.2 percent) over the month to climb to $8.53 in May, 1985. The nondurable goods segment remained constant over the month at $7.11 while growing by 28¢ an hour (+4.1 percent) over the year. The nondurable goods industry group which set the pace in May was tobacco manufacturing, jumping by 32¢ an hour (+2.4 percent) to reach $13.62. Food and kindred products experienced a net over-the-month increase of 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to attain a level of $6.51 this May. From mid-April to mid-May of this year, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers grew by $2.95 (+1.1 percent) to $281.64, which was $3.64 above last year. Average weekly hours rose by just 0.3 of an hour in May to 38.9, which was still 1.1 hours below one year ago.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 321.3 in May of this year, according to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was an over-the-month gain of 0.4 percent and an over-the-year increase of 3.7 percent. The group which exhibited the largest monthly increase was housing, which rose by 0.8

percent. Transportation and medical care followed, the cost of each growing by 0.4 percent. On the positive side, the cost of food and beverages and apparel and upkeep actually declined, by 0.2 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, was 31.1¢ in May, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: As of May 31, 1985, there were 170,497 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month rise of 3,691 people (+2.2 percent). Once again, the largest applicant sector by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine, which had 103,461 or 60.7 percent of the total. Both the twenty-one and under category and the forty to fifty-four segment shared the same percentage of the total at 16.9. The fifty-five and over segment recorded the lowest number of active applicants with 9,385 or 5.5 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were females (89,615 or 52.6 percent). The largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, with 94,953 or 55.7 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of May 31, 1985.

Statewide Active Applicant File
May 31, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	170,497	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	28,764	16.9
22 - 39	103,461	60.7
40 - 54	28,887	16.9
55 and Over	9,385	5.5
Sex		
Male	80,882	47.4
Female	89,615	52.6
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	94,953	55.7
Black, not Hispanic	71,186	41.7
Hispanic	1,018	0.6
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,511	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	829	0.5
Eligible Claimant	71,214	41.8
Veteran	29,901	17.5
Handicapped	10,892	6.4
Welfare	24,426	14.3
Seasonal Farmworker	1,813	1.1

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS RISES IN MAY: During May, 1985, there were 24,039 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, a good net monthly increase of 4,556 (+23.4 percent). The majority of those job openings was filled (14,328 or 59.6 percent). The occupational group with the largest number of job openings received in May, 1985, was farming, fishing, and forestry, which had 4,273. Over three-quarters of those were filled (75.7 percent or 3,236). The service category was second with 3,856 job openings and 2,268 or 58.8 percent filled. The structural works sector followed with 3,628 job openings received during the month and 2,192 or 60.4 percent filled. The smallest number of job openings occurred in processing with only 639, with a little more than half being filled (56.7 percent or 362). There were 235,669 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984, through May 31, 1985. Moreover, more than three-fourths were filled (75.9 percent or 178,778). There were 18,772 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of May 31, 1985. Many of those job openings (10,900 or 58.1 percent) were classified as hard-to-fill because they had been open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on North Carolina's job openings for May, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through May 31, 1985).

Statewide Job Openings Data

	May, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of May 31, 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	1,084	409	9,957	4,249	1,674	1,036
Clerical	2,789	1,369	26,020	16,295	2,455	1,141
Sales	755	312	8,331	4,443	1,086	681
Service	3,856	2,268	36,495	26,031	3,447	2,001
Domestic	342	260	2,872	2,346	123	63
Other Services	3,514	2,008	33,623	23,685	3,324	1,938
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	4,273	3,236	48,022	45,904	276	175
Processing	639	362	8,539	7,504	571	419
Machine Trades	1,789	1,051	15,925	11,391	1,524	850
Bench Work	1,815	1,084	19,594	16,231	1,654	964
Structural Work	3,628	2,192	32,894	22,922	3,886	2,685
Miscellaneous	3,411	2,045	29,892	23,808	2,199	948
Motor Freight & Transp.	599	342	5,724	3,636	462	226
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,711	1,635	23,338	19,641	1,649	670
Other	101	68	830	531	88	52
Total	24,039	14,328	235,669	178,778	18,772	10,900

1/ July 1, 1984, through May 31, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1985 (Thous)	April 1985 (Thous)	May 1984 (Thous)	April 1985	May 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,618.4	2,615.4	2,560.4	+ 0.1	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	810.3	814.0	833.8	- 0.5	- 2.8
DURABLE GOODS	330.1	331.8	331.2	- 0.5	- 0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	36.5	36.5	37.7	0	- 3.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.3	13.3	13.5	0	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	8.9	9.4	+ 1.1	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.5	4.8	0	- 6.2
Furniture & Fixtures	83.2	84.2	84.7	- 1.2	- 1.8
Household Furniture	73.0	74.0	74.9	- 1.4	- 2.5
Wood Household Furniture	36.7	36.9	38.3	- 0.5	- 4.2
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.1	31.7	30.5	- 1.9	+ 2.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.8	18.7	18.7	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.5	0	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.4	5.4	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.2	10.8	- 0.9	+ 2.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.8	26.8	26.2	0	+ 2.3
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.5	8.4	0	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.9	55.2	54.9	- 0.5	0
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.6	63.0	61.7	- 0.6	+ 1.5
Household Appliances	5.2	5.1	5.5	+ 2.0	- 5.5
Transportation Equipment	21.4	21.3	20.6	+ 0.5	+ 3.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.8	14.9	15.9	- 0.7	- 6.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	480.2	482.2	502.6	- 0.4	- 4.5
Food & Kindred Products	44.4	44.2	43.5	+ 0.5	+ 2.1
Meat Products	18.7	18.5	17.6	+ 1.1	+ 6.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.4	2.4	- 4.2	- 4.2
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	8.0	0	- 1.2
Beverages	6.3	6.2	6.4	+ 1.6	- 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.7	22.6	22.1	+ 0.4	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	19.9	19.9	19.7	0	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.4	2.3	2.0	+ 4.3	+20.0
Textile Mill Products	206.4	208.1	224.5	- 0.8	- 8.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	54.3	55.3	61.6	- 1.8	-11.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.0	27.9	31.6	- 3.2	-14.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.6	26.7	29.2	- 0.4	- 8.9
Knitting Mills	75.0	75.1	79.6	- 0.1	- 5.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.0	22.1	23.2	- 0.5	- 5.2
Hosiery, NEC	21.8	21.8	23.0	0	- 5.2
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.5	13.4	14.8	+ 0.7	- 8.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.8	6.9	7.2	- 1.4	- 5.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.1	15.0	0	- 6.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.3	50.8	54.8	- 1.0	- 8.2

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1985 (Thous)	April 1985 (Thous)	May 1984 (Thous)	April 1985	May 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.5	89.0	93.3	- 0.6	- 5.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.1	29.3	31.1	- 0.7	- 6.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.4	39.2	42.1	+ 0.5	- 6.4
Paper & Allied Products	21.9	22.0	22.2	- 0.5	- 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.5	10.6	10.9	- 0.9	- 3.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.2	7.1	7.4	+ 1.4	- 2.7
Printing & Publishing	25.1	25.0	24.1	+ 0.4	+ 4.1
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	9.0	+ 1.1	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.0	37.0	38.6	0	- 4.1
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.6	12.8	13.7	- 1.6	- 8.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.9	29.9	29.4	0	+ 1.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.4	4.9	- 2.3	-12.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1,808.1	1,801.4	1,726.6	+ 0.4	+ 4.7
MINING	4.7	4.6	4.6	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
CONSTRUCTION	145.8	143.5	131.3	+ 1.6	+11.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.0	129.7	126.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.8	70.6	67.1	+ 0.3	+ 5.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.1	54.3	+ 0.4	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	567.8	564.0	543.5	+ 0.7	+ 4.5
Wholesale Trade	131.9	131.6	128.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.5
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.4	79.2	76.2	+ 0.3	+ 4.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.5	52.4	52.5	+ 0.2	0
Retail Trade	435.9	432.4	414.8	+ 0.8	+ 5.1
General Merchandise Stores	56.0	55.2	54.3	+ 1.4	+ 3.1
Food Stores	67.0	66.7	66.2	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	108.2	107.9	104.3	+ 0.3	+ 3.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	420.6	417.8	395.3	+ 0.7	+ 6.4
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.9	23.3	23.3	+ 6.9	+ 6.9
Personal Services	26.5	26.7	25.2	- 0.7	+ 5.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.8	10.7	+ 0.9	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	431.0	433.9	420.9	- 0.7	+ 2.4
Federal	51.1	50.6	50.1	+ 1.0	+ 2.0
State	125.5	130.1	120.2	- 3.5	+ 4.4
Education	63.7	68.3	59.8	- 6.7	+ 6.5
Other	61.8	61.8	60.4	0	+ 2.3
Local	254.4	253.2	250.6	+ 0.5	+ 1.5
Education	140.3	140.0	135.8	+ 0.2	+ 3.3
Other	114.1	113.2	114.8	+ 0.8	- 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1985 (thous)	April 1985 (thous)	May 1984 (thous)	April 1985	May 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,615.9	2,616.3	2,557.9	-0.02	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	814.4	817.9	837.7	-0.4	- 2.8
DURABLE GOODS	331.2	332.8	332.3	-0.5	- 0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.8	37.6	-1.1	- 3.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.2	13.3	13.4	-0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.0	9.4	0	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.5	4.8	0	- 6.2
Furniture & Fixtures	83.4	83.9	84.9	-0.6	- 1.8
Household Furniture	73.1	73.6	75.1	-0.7	- 2.7
Wood Household Furniture	36.5	36.5	38.1	0	- 4.2
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.8	30.6	-1.9	+ 2.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.8	18.9	18.7	-0.5	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.8	2.4	-7.1	+ 8.3
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.3	5.4	5.3	-1.9	0
Primary Metal Industries	11.0	11.2	10.7	-1.8	+ 2.8
Fabricated Metal Products	27.2	27.3	26.6	-0.4	+ 2.3
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.7	8.5	-1.1	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.5	55.4	55.5	+0.2	0
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.9	63.4	62.0	-0.8	+ 1.5
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.8	-1.8	- 5.2
Transportation Equipment	21.1	21.1	20.3	0	+ 3.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	14.8	16.0	+0.7	- 6.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.2	485.1	505.4	-0.4	- 4.4
Food & Kindred Products	44.8	44.8	43.9	0	+ 2.1
Meat Products	18.8	18.7	17.7	+0.5	+ 6.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.4	2.4	-4.2	- 4.2
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	8.0	0	- 1.2
Beverages	6.2	6.3	6.3	-1.6	- 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.0	24.6	24.3	+1.6	+ 2.9
Cigarettes	20.1	20.1	19.9	0	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.2	3.9	3.5	+7.7	+20.0
Textile Mill Products	206.4	207.9	224.5	-0.7	- 8.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	54.5	55.2	61.8	-1.3	-11.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	27.9	31.8	-2.5	-14.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.6	26.7	29.2	-0.4	- 8.9
Knitting Mills	74.6	75.2	79.2	-0.8	- 5.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.1	22.2	23.3	-0.5	- 5.2
Hosiery, NEC	21.8	21.8	23.0	0	- 5.2
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.2	14.6	+0.8	- 8.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.7	6.9	7.1	-2.9	- 5.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.2	15.0	-0.7	- 6.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.1	50.8	54.6	-1.4	- 8.2

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1985 (thous)	April 1985 (thous)	May 1984 (thous)	April 1985	May 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.7	89.7	93.5	-1.1	- 5.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.4	29.7	31.4	-1.0	- 6.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.4	39.3	42.1	+0.3	- 6.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.1	22.1	22.4	0	- 1.3
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	11.0	-0.9	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.1	7.5	+2.8	- 2.7
Printing & Publishing	25.2	24.8	24.1	+1.6	+ 4.6
Newspapers	9.3	9.2	9.0	+1.1	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	36.7	38.4	+0.3	- 4.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.5	12.7	13.6	-1.6	- 8.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.9	30.1	29.4	-0.7	+ 1.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.4	4.9	-2.3	-12.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1,801.5	1,798.4	1,720.2	+0.2	+ 4.7
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.5	0	+ 2.2
CONSTRUCTION	144.5	146.0	130.1	-1.0	+11.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.7	130.2	126.4	-0.4	+ 2.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.7	71.0	67.0	-0.4	+ 5.5
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.3	54.3	0	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	570.9	571.2	546.5	-0.1	+ 4.5
Wholesale Trade	134.1	133.5	130.9	+0.4	+ 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.6	79.3	76.4	+0.4	+ 4.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.5	54.2	54.5	+0.6	0
Retail Trade	436.8	437.7	415.6	-0.2	+ 5.1
General Merchandise Stores	57.3	57.2	55.6	+0.2	+ 3.1
Food Stores	67.2	67.7	66.4	-0.7	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	108.3	108.6	104.4	-0.3	+ 3.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	420.6	417.4	395.3	+0.8	+ 6.4
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.2	23.8	22.7	+1.7	+ 6.6
Personal Services	26.9	25.8	25.6	+4.3	+ 5.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.9	10.7	0	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	422.9	420.4	413.0	+0.6	+ 2.4
Federal	50.8	50.6	49.8	+0.4	+ 2.0
State	126.7	125.6	121.3	+0.9	+ 4.5
Education	65.2	63.8	61.2	+2.2	+ 6.5
Other	61.5	61.8	60.1	-0.5	+ 2.3
Local	245.4	244.2	241.9	+0.5	+ 1.4
Education	131.2	130.2	127.0	+0.8	+ 3.3
Other	114.2	114.0	114.9	+0.2	- 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA [1]

May, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1985	April 1985	May 1984	April 1985	May 1984
MANUFACTURING	642.8	647.3	668.2	- 0.7	- 3.8
DURABLE GOODS	249.7	251.9	253.5	- 0.9	- 1.5
Lumber & Wood Products	31.5	31.5	32.8	0	- 4.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	7.9	8.2	0	- 3.7
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.5	3.6	4.0	- 2.8	-12.5
Furniture & Fixtures	74.0	75.1	75.5	- 1.5	- 2.0
Household Furniture	65.5	66.6	67.3	- 1.7	- 2.7
Wood Household Furniture	33.6	33.9	35.3	- 0.9	- 4.8
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.6	15.5	15.4	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	2.0	0	+10.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.4	8.1	- 1.2	+ 2.5
Fabricated Metal Products	19.9	20.0	19.5	- 0.5	+ 2.1
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.3	26.9	28.3	- 2.2	- 7.1
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	5.0	5.2	0	- 3.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	45.7	46.1	45.0	- 0.9	+ 1.6
Household Appliances	4.6	4.4	4.8	+ 4.5	- 4.2
Transportation Equipment	17.3	17.2	16.7	+ 0.6	+ 3.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	393.1	395.4	414.7	- 0.6	- 5.2
Food & Kindred Products	30.5	30.4	29.7	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
Meat Products	16.5	16.3	15.5	+ 1.2	+ 6.5
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.4	1.3	1.4	+ 7.7	0
Grain Mill Products	1.5	1.6	1.6	- 6.2	- 6.2
Bakery Products	4.4	4.4	4.6	0	- 4.3
Beverages	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 4.2	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.5	17.5	17.1	0	+ 2.3
Cigarettes	15.8	15.7	15.6	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.4	1.4	1.1	0	+27.3
Textile Mill Products	182.8	184.5	200.1	- 0.9	- 8.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	48.0	49.0	54.9	- 2.0	-12.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.8	24.7	28.2	- 3.6	-15.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.7	23.7	26.2	0	- 9.5
Knitting Mills	66.3	66.3	70.8	0	- 6.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.8	19.9	21.2	- 0.5	- 6.6
Hosiery, NEC	20.0	20.0	21.1	0	- 5.2
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.4	11.3	12.6	+ 0.9	- 9.5
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	6.0	6.3	- 3.3	- 7.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.8	11.8	12.6	0	- 6.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.0	46.4	50.4	- 0.9	- 8.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	77.9	78.4	82.7	- 0.6	- 5.8
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.1	26.4	28.3	- 1.1	- 7.8
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.2	33.9	36.6	+ 0.9	- 6.6
Paper & Allied Products	16.5	16.5	16.7	0	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	8.1	0	- 3.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.4	5.3	5.6	+ 1.9	- 3.6
Printing & Publishing	15.7	15.7	15.0	0	+ 4.7
Newspapers	3.6	3.5	3.5	+ 2.9	+ 2.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.2	24.3	25.2	- 0.4	- 4.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.8	8.9	9.5	- 1.1	- 7.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.4	24.5	24.1	- 0.4	+ 1.2
Other Nondurable Goods [2]	3.6	3.6	4.1	0	-12.2

[1] Current data are preliminary.

[2] Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

May, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1985	April 1985	May 1984	May 1985	April 1985	May 1984	May 1985	April 1985	May 1984
MANUFACTURING	$281.64	$278.69	$278.00	38.9	38.6	40.0	$ 7.24	$ 7.22	$ 6.95
DURABLE GOODS	295.32	292.99	290.70	39.8	39.7	40.6	7.42	7.38	7.16
Lumber & Wood Products	256.46	245.92	242.49	41.1	39.6	41.1	6.24	6.21	5.90
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	253.57	242.59	242.34	41.5	39.9	42.0	6.11	6.08	5.77
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	285.32	260.30	269.58	40.3	37.4	40.6	7.08	6.96	6.64
Furniture & Fixtures	244.19	249.74	237.08	37.8	38.6	38.3	6.46	6.47	6.19
Household Furniture	240.38	248.20	234.70	37.5	38.6	38.1	6.41	6.43	6.16
Wood Household Furniture	240.95	242.81	231.48	38.8	39.1	39.3	6.21	6.21	5.89
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	326.28	316.77	312.80	42.1	41.3	42.1	7.75	7.67	7.43
Structural Clay Products	276.70	257.92	260.40	43.1	41.6	42.9	6.42	6.20	6.07
Primary Metal Industries	367.64	354.88	349.96	43.1	42.5	43.8	8.53	8.35	7.97
Fabricated Metal Products	315.46	312.35	323.08	40.6	40.2	41.0	7.77	7.77	7.88
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	343.21	332.11	342.55	41.5	40.6	42.5	8.27	8.18	8.06
Special Industry Machinery	309.23	308.43	304.63	39.9	39.9	41.0	7.75	7.73	7.43
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	323.85	325.78	339.08	38.6	38.6	41.1	8.39	8.44	8.25
Household Appliances	234.27	254.93	262.35	34.1	37.0	40.3	6.87	6.89	6.51
Transportation Equipment	362.45	341.82	329.52	43.2	42.2	42.3	8.39	8.10	7.79
NONDURABLE GOODS	272.31	269.47	271.15	38.3	37.9	39.7	7.11	7.11	6.83
Food & Kindred Products	261.05	256.96	246.40	40.1	39.9	38.5	6.51	6.44	6.40
Meat Products	208.24	205.90	196.37	38.0	38.2	36.5	5.48	5.39	5.38
Meat Packing	196.80	291.60	312.38	42.4	40.0	40.1	7.00	7.29	7.79
Dairy Products	313.88	310.48	269.88	47.2	46.9	43.6	6.65	6.62	6.19
Grain Mill Products	306.60	300.03	290.07	43.8	43.8	42.1	7.00	6.85	6.89
Bakery Products	299.59	294.88	270.12	41.9	41.3	39.9	7.15	7.14	6.77
Beverages	492.80	500.87	489.91	46.8	45.7	44.7	10.53	10.96	10.96
Tobacco Manufacturers	473.98	424.27	490.78	34.8	31.9	39.2	13.62	13.30	12.52
Cigarettes	500.66	447.14	519.69	34.6	31.4	39.4	14.47	14.24	13.19
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	213.66	190.40	217.07	35.2	35.0	36.3	6.07	5.44	5.98
Textile Mill Products	243.32	242.30	250.00	37.9	37.8	40.0	6.42	6.41	6.25
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	258.48	274.94	271.07	35.9	38.4	39.4	7.20	7.16	6.88
Weaving Mills, Cotton	249.44	295.32	260.75	33.8	40.4	37.9	7.38	7.31	6.88
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	267.20	254.44	282.77	37.9	36.4	41.1	7.05	6.99	6.88
Knitting Mills	223.05	214.20	222.53	37.3	36.0	38.5	5.98	5.95	5.78
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	205.35	199.72	202.94	35.9	35.1	37.1	5.72	5.69	5.47
Hosiery, NEC	206.86	196.81	207.55	35.3	33.7	36.8	5.86	5.84	5.64
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	257.57	246.65	253.08	39.8	38.3	40.3	6.47	6.44	6.28
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	282.75	279.94	279.26	43.5	43.2	42.7	6.50	6.48	6.54
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	274.32	278.36	286.24	40.4	41.3	43.7	6.79	6.74	6.55
Yarn & Thread Mills	244.61	234.01	248.66	40.1	38.3	41.1	6.10	6.11	6.05
Apparel & Other Textile Products	187.54	183.34	187.62	36.7	35.6	37.6	5.11	5.15	4.99
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	186.02	180.23	190.84	35.5	34.2	37.2	5.24	5.27	5.13
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	176.89	167.74	176.60	36.7	34.8	37.1	4.82	4.82	4.76
Paper & Allied Products	470.05	498.38	448.06	42.5	44.3	43.0	11.06	11.25	10.42
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	585.85	646.06	567.81	43.3	47.4	45.1	13.53	13.63	12.59
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	340.13	340.17	314.84	42.2	42.1	41.7	8.06	8.08	7.55
Printing & Publishing	311.04	329.26	302.18	38.4	40.4	39.5	8.10	8.15	7.65
Newspapers	180.23	286.62	281.07	34.3	34.7	34.7	8.17	8.26	8.10
Chemicals & Allied Products	387.69	391.35	359.24	41.2	41.5	40.5	9.41	9.43	8.87
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	455.95	453.47	410.52	43.3	42.7	41.3	10.53	10.62	9.94
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	362.37	341.10	365.08	40.9	37.9	42.8	8.86	9.00	8.53
MINING	401.58	367.06	338.52	49.7	46.7	43.4	8.08	7.86	7.80
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	454.21	462.97	452.38	40.7	41.3	41.2	11.16	11.21	10.98
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	194.89	194.24	195.03	32.7	32.7	33.0	5.96	5.94	5.91
Wholesale Trade	300.49	298.58	297.14	39.8	39.6	39.2	7.55	7.54	7.58
Retail Trade	166.32	165.70	167.46	30.8	30.8	31.3	5.40	5.38	5.35
General Merchandise Stores	150.52	151.78	146.50	28.4	28.8	29.3	5.30	5.27	5.00
Food Stores	191.56	192.72	192.46	33.2	33.4	32.4	5.77	5.77	5.94
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	136.78	138.03	127.71	31.3	31.3	29.7	4.37	4.41	4.30
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	195.78	196.35	179.00	36.8	36.7	35.8	5.32	5.35	5.00

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
June, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO CLIMB: Total employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina was estimated to be 2,944,800 in the middle of June, 1985, a net over-the-month increase of 23,400 people (+0.8 percent). The State's seasonally adjusted total employment was estimated to be 2,929,000 in mid-June of this year, a net monthly surge of 45,000 workers (+1.6 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS MODEST GROWTH: Statewide manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 813,400 as of mid-June of this year, a good net monthly increase of 2,600 workers (+0.3 percent). The durable goods sector added 800 people (+0.2 percent) as a result of the following gains: nonelectrical machinery (+1,000) and lumber and wood (+300). The nondurable goods sector accounted for the balance of the increase (1,800) with food and kindred products rising by 1,400 persons (+3.1 percent) and tobacco manufacturing rising by 500 (+2.2 percent).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of June, 1985, North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,818,800, a net over-the-month rise of 9,600 workers (+0.5 percent). Four of the seven industry groups that experienced significant net monthly gains were trade (+3,800); construction (+3,200); finance, insurance, and real estate (+2,500); and service and miscellaneous (+1,800).

MANUFACTURING FALLS WHILE NONMANUFACTURING CLIMBS SINCE LAST YEAR: Manufacturing employment in the State dropped by 22,900 people (-2.7 percent) from June, 1984, to June, 1985. Most of that loss (72.1 percent) took place in textile mill products, down by 16,500 (-7.4 percent). Apparel and related products suffered an annual decline of 4,500 workers (-4.8 percent). On the positive side, food and kindred products increased by 1,800 (+4.1 percent) and transportation equipment added 1,000 (+4.8 percent). Statewide nonmanufacturing employment grew by 74,800 persons (+4.3 percent) over the year as six of the seven industry groups displaced healthy gains. The four largest were trade (+22,200); service and miscellaneous (+21,900); construction (+12,900); and government (+11,000).

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT DROPS SHARPLY: As of the middle of June, 1985, total unemployment in the State (seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 142,000, a monthly decline of 39,000 people (-21.5 percent). Consequently, the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment fell from 5.9 percent in May to 4.6 percent in June. North Carolina's unadjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 170,200 as of mid-June of this year, an over-the-month gain of 3,100 persons (+1.9 percent). As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 5.4 percent in May to 5.5 percent in June. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.5 percent in June, 1985, and 7.0 percent in May, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the Nation remained at 7.3 percent over the month.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/
June, 1985

	June, 1985	May, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,115,000	3,088,500
Employment	2,944,800	2,921,400
Unemployment	170,200	167,100
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.4
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,071,000	3,065,000
Employment	2,929,000	2,884,000
Unemployment	142,000	181,000
Unemployment Rate	4.6	5.9
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.5	7.0
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.3

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS DROP SLIGHTLY WHILE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers fell by just 1¢ an hour over the month to $7.24; however, the average rose by 26¢ an hour (+3.7 percent) over the year. The durable goods sector also declined from May to June of this year, falling by 3¢ an hour to $7.41. Since June of last year, durable goods has enjoyed a gain of 23¢ an hour (+3.2 percent). The durable goods industry group which experienced the largest net monthly growth was stone, clay and glass, up by 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to reach $7.88. Nonelectrical machinery was a close second, adding 9¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to hit $8.34 this June. The nondurable goods sector exhibited a modest gain of 1¢ an hour over the month to rise to $7.13, which represented yearly growth of 27¢ an hour (+3.9 percent). Tobacco manufacturing again led the way in nondurables with a net monthly surge of 47¢ an hour (+3.5 percent) to climb to $14.03. The rubber industry was a distant second, up by only 3¢ an hour over the month to $8.83. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees increased by $2.50 (+0.9 percent) to $284.53 from the middle of May to the middle of June, 1985. Also, that was $3.93 (+1.4 percent) above one year ago. Finally, average weekly hours stood at 39.3 in June of this year, up by 0.4 of an hour over the month but down by 0.9 of an hour over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX RISES IN JUNE: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers climbed to 322.3 in June, 1985 which represented a monthly increase of 0.3 percent and a yearly gain of 3.7 percent. The cost of medical care rose the most, up by 0.6 percent over the month. Housing and entertainment came next, both increasing by 0.5 percent from May to June of this year. The good news is that the cost of apparel and upkeep continued to drop, falling by 0.3 percent over the month. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $322.30 in June, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS GROWS IN JUNE: There were 180,015 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina at the end of June, 1985, a net monthly increase of 9,518 persons (+5.6 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine age group was the largest applicant segment with 105,999 or 58.9 percent of the total, and the twenty-one and under sector had 35,546 or 19.7 percent. As is invariably the case, the fifty-five and over category registered the fewest active applicants with 9,377 or 5.2 percent of the total. Females comprised the majority of the active applicants with a count of 94,748 or 52.6 percent of the total. Furthermore, whites who were not Hispanic numbered 98,019 or 54.4 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of June 30, 1985.

Statewide Active Applicant File
June 30, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	180,015	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	35,546	19.7
22 - 39	105,999	58.9
40 - 54	29,093	16.2
55 and Over	9,377	5.2
Sex		
Male	85,267	47.4
Female	94,748	52.6
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	98,019	54.4
Black, not Hispanic	77,151	42.8
Hispanic	1,361	0.8
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,625	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	859	0.5
Eligible Claimant	70,563	39.2
Veteran	30,494	16.9
Handicapped	11,391	6.3
Welfare	25,299	14.1
Seasonal Farmworker	3,086	1.7

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: There were 29,682 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during June, 1985, a substantial net over-the-month rise of 5,643 (+23.5 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (21,750 or 73.3 percent). Farming, fishing, and forestry was the occupational category that recorded the largest number of job openings received in June with 9,898; furhtermore, the vast majority was filled (8,244 or 83.3 percent). Job openings numbering 4,333 were in the service group, and 2,936 or 67.8 percent were filled. The structural work segment reported 3,997 job openings during June and 2,458 or 61.5 percent of these were filled. The sales sector registered the fewest job openings with just 659 received, 326 or 49.5 percent of which were filled. From July 1, 1984 through June 30, 1985, there were 265,351 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Over three-fourths of the job openings received were filled (75.6 percent or 200,528). At the end of June of this year, there were 18,689 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Most of those job openings (11,772 or 63.0 percent) had been open for thirty days or more and were, therefore, classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings for June, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through June 30, 1985).

Statewide Job Openings Data

	June, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of June 30, 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,043	516	11,000	4,765	1,658	1,107
Clerical	2,906	2,010	28,926	18,305	2,394	1,283
Sales	659	326	8,990	4,769	1,036	693
Service	4,333	2,936	40,828	28,967	3,687	2,150
Domestic	431	328	3,303	2,674	176	121
Other Services	3,902	2,608	37,525	26,293	3,511	2,029
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	9,898	8,244	57,920	54,148	293	173
Processing	992	685	9,531	8,189	587	345
Machine Trades	1,356	879	17,281	12,270	1,472	937
Bench Work	1,786	1,218	21,380	17,449	1,698	1,126
Structural Work	3,997	2,458	36,891	25,380	4,276	3,030
Miscellaneous	2,712	2,478	32,604	26,286	1,588	928
Motor Freight and Trans.	566	338	6,290	3,974	488	256
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,055	2,085	25,393	21,726	1,010	619
Other	91	55	921	586	90	53
Total	29,682	21,750	265,351	200,528	18,689	11,772

1/ July 1, 1984, through June 30, 1985

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1985 (Thous.)	May * 1985 (Thous.)	June 1984 (Thous.)	May 1985	June 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2632.2	2620.0	2580.3	+ 0.5	+ 2.0
MANUFACTURING	813.4	810.8	836.3	+ 0.3	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	331.2	330.4	334.8	+ 0.2	- 1.1
Lumber & Wood Products	36.8	36.5	38.1	+ 0.8	- 3.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.3	13.3	13.6	0	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.0	9.4	0	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.6	4.6	4.8	0	- 4.2
Furniture & Fixtures	82.9	82.9	85.1	0	- 2.6
Household Furniture	72.7	72.8	75.1	- 0.1	- 3.2
Wood Household Furniture	36.9	36.7	38.2	+ 0.5	- 3.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.6	30.8	31.0	- 0.6	- 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.8	18.9	- 0.5	- 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.7	2.6	+ 3.7	+ 7.7
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.4	5.4	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.1	10.9	0	+ 1.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.7	26.9	26.4	- 0.7	+ 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.5	8.5	0	0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.9	54.9	55.5	+ 1.8	+ 0.7
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.7	62.9	63.0	- 0.3	- 0.5
Household Appliances	5.2	5.2	5.8	0	- 10.3
Transportation Equipment	21.7	21.7	20.7	0	+ 4.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.6	14.8	16.2	- 1.4	- 9.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	482.2	480.4	501.5	+ 0.4	- 3.8
Food & Kindred Products	45.9	44.5	44.1	+ 3.1	+ 4.1
Meat Products	19.0	18.7	17.5	+ 1.6	+ 8.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.6	2.5	+ 3.8	+ 8.0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.7	2.8	+ 3.7	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
Beverages	6.6	6.3	6.5	+ 4.8	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.3	22.8	22.5	+ 2.2	+ 3.6
Cigarettes	20.4	19.9	20.1	+ 2.5	+ 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.4	2.5	2.0	- 4.0	+ 20.0
Textile Mill Products	205.7	206.3	222.2	- 0.3	- 7.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	54.1	54.3	59.7	- 0.4	- 9.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	27.1	30.4	+ 0.4	- 10.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.1	26.5	28.5	- 1.5	- 8.4
Knitting Mills	75.3	75.0	79.2	+ 0.4	- 4.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.0	23.0	+ 1.4	- 3.0
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.8	23.1	- 0.5	- 6.1
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.6	13.5	14.5	+ 0.7	- 6.2
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.7	6.8	7.3	- 1.5	- 8.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.9	14.0	15.1	- 0.7	- 7.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.9	50.2	54.9	- 0.6	- 9.1

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1985 (Thous.)	May * 1985 (Thous.)	June 1984 (Thous.)	May 1985	June 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.9	88.7	93.4	+ 0.2	- 4.8
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	28.9	29.0	31.2	- 0.3	- 7.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.6	39.3	41.9	+ 0.8	- 5.5
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.0	22.5	+ 1.4	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.5	11.0	+ 1.0	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.4	7.3	7.6	+ 1.4	- 2.6
Printing & Publishing	24.8	25.1	23.9	- 1.2	+ 3.8
Newspapers	9.5	9.3	9.1	+ 2.2	+ 4.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.1	36.9	38.6	+ 0.5	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.7	12.6	13.7	+ 0.8	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.8	29.9	29.8	- 0.3	0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.3	4.5	0	- 4.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1818.8	1809.2	1744.0	+ 0.5	+ 4.3
MINING	4.7	4.7	4.7	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	149.1	145.9	136.2	+ 2.2	+ 9.5
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.5	130.2	127.8	- 0.5	+ 1.3
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	69.9	70.7	67.8	- 1.1	+ 3.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.6	54.5	54.6	+ 0.2	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	571.6	567.8	549.4	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	133.3	131.9	129.3	+ 1.1	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.9	79.4	77.0	+ 0.6	+ 3.8
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.3	52.5	52.3	+ 1.5	+ 1.9
Retail Trade	438.3	435.9	420.1	+ 0.6	+ 4.3
General Merchandise Stores	56.5	56.2	54.8	+ 0.5	+ 3.1
Food Stores	67.5	67.1	66.4	+ 0.6	+ 1.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	111.0	108.5	106.0	+ 2.3	+ 4.7
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	421.8	420.0	399.0	+ 0.4	+ 5.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	25.8	25.0	24.9	+ 3.2	+ 3.6
Personal Services	26.3	26.5	25.2	- 0.8	+ 4.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.9	10.7	0	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	431.0	432.1	420.0	- 0.3	+ 2.6
Federal	51.3	51.2	50.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.0
State	121.5	126.4	118.3	- 3.9	+ 2.7
Education	58.6	63.5	56.2	- 7.7	+ 4.3
Other	62.9	62.9	62.1	0	+ 1.3
Local	258.3	254.5	251.4	+ 1.5	+ 2.7
Education	140.8	140.5	134.5	+ 0.2	+ 4.7
Other	117.5	114.0	116.9	+ 3.1	+ 0.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.
* Revised.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1985 (Thous)	May* 1985 (Thous)	June 1984 (Thous)	May 1985	June 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,609.3	2,617.6	2,557.6	- 0.3	+ 2.0
MANUFACTURING	810.7	815.1	833.6	- 0.5	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	329.9	331.6	333.6	- 0.5	- 1.1
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.4	37.7	0	- 3.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.2	13.3	- 0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	9.0	9.0	9.4	0	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.6	4.7	- 2.2	- 4.3
Furniture & Fixtures	83.5	83.1	85.7	+ 0.5	- 2.6
Household Furniture	72.8	72.9	75.2	- 0.1	- 3.2
Wood Household Furniture	37.0	36.5	38.4	+ 1.4	- 3.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.7	30.9	31.1	- 0.6	- 1.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.5	18.8	18.7	- 1.6	- 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.6	2.5	+ 3.8	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.3	5.3	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.0	11.0	10.8	0	+ 1.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.7	27.3	26.4	- 2.2	+ 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.6	8.4	- 2.3	0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.7	55.5	55.3	+ 0.4	+ 0.7
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.1	63.2	62.4	- 1.7	- 0.5
Household Appliances	5.1	5.5	5.6	- 7.3	- 8.9
Transportation Equipment	21.4	21.4	20.4	0	+ 4.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.6	14.9	16.2	- 2.0	- 9.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	480.8	483.5	500.0	- 0.6	- 3.8
Food & Kindred Products	45.2	44.9	43.4	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
Meat Products	18.9	18.8	17.4	+ 0.5	+ 8.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.6	2.5	+ 3.8	+ 8.0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.7	2.8	+ 3.7	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
Beverages	6.4	6.2	6.3	+ 3.2	+ 1.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.8	25.1	24.0	- 1.2	+ 3.3
Cigarettes	20.0	20.1	19.7	- 0.5	+ 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.3	4.4	3.6	- 2.3	+19.4
Textile Mill Products	204.7	206.3	221.1	- 0.8	- 7.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	53.9	54.5	59.5	- 1.1	- 9.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	27.3	30.4	- 0.4	-10.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.9	26.5	28.3	- 2.3	- 8.5
Knitting Mills	74.3	74.6	78.2	- 0.4	- 5.0
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.1	22.1	22.8	0	- 3.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.4	21.8	22.8	- 1.8	- 6.1
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.5	13.3	14.4	+ 1.5	- 6.2
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.5	6.7	7.1	- 3.0	- 8.5
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.7	14.0	14.9	- 2.1	- 8.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.9	50.0	55.0	- 0.2	- 9.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1985 (Thous)	May* 1985 (Thous)	June 1984 (Thous)	May 1985	June 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.4	88.9	92.8	- 0.6	- 4.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	28.7	29.3	31.0	- 2.0	- 7.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.2	39.3	41.5	- 0.3	- 5.5
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.2	22.5	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.6	11.0	0	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.4	7.4	7.6	0	- 2.6
Printing & Publishing	25.0	25.2	24.1	- 0.8	+ 3.7
Newspapers	9.4	9.3	9.0	+ 1.1	+ 4.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.7	36.7	38.2	0	- 3.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.5	12.5	13.5	0	- 7.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.5	29.9	29.5	- 1.3	0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.2	4.3	4.4	- 2.3	- 4.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1,798.6	1,802.5	1,724.0	- 0.2	+ 4.3
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	144.2	144.6	131.7	- 0.3	+ 9.5
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.0	129.9	127.3	- 0.7	+ 1.3
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	69.6	70.6	67.5	- 1.4	+ 3.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.5	54.1	- 0.7	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	570.6	570.8	548.6	- 0.04	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	134.5	134.1	130.6	+ 0.3	+ 3.0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.7	79.6	76.8	+ 0.1	+ 3.8
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.8	54.5	53.8	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Retail Trade	436.1	436.7	418.0	- 0.1	+ 4.3
General Merchandise Stores	57.7	57.5	56.0	+ 0.3	+ 3.0
Food Stores	67.4	67.3	66.3	+ 0.1	+ 1.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	109.8	108.6	104.8	+ 1.1	+ 4.8
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	418.5	420.0	395.8	- 0.4	+ 5.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.8	24.3	23.0	- 2.1	+ 3.5
Personal Services	26.8	26.9	25.7	- 0.4	+ 4.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.9	10.9	10.7	0	+ 1.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	421.9	424.0	411.2	- 0.5	+ 2.6
Federal	50.6	50.9	49.7	- 0.6	+ 1.8
State	124.1	127.6	120.8	- 2.7	+ 2.7
Education	61.9	65.0	59.4	- 4.8	+ 4.2
Other	62.2	62.6	61.4	- 0.6	+ 1.3
Local	247.2	245.5	240.7	+ 0.7	+ 2.7
Education	132.1	131.4	126.2	+ 0.5	+ 4.7
Other	115.1	114.1	114.5	+ 0.9	+ 0.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.
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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1985	May * 1985	June 1984	May 1985	June 1984
MANUFACTURING	645.3	642.9	670.3	+ 0.4	- 3.7
DURABLE GOODS	249.8	249.5	256.8	+ 0.1	- 2.7
Lumber & Wood Products	31.8	31.5	33.2	+ 1.0	- 4.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	7.9	8.3	0	- 4.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.6	3.9	+ 2.8	- 5.1
Furniture & Fixtures	73.7	73.7	75.9	0	- 2.9
Household Furniture	65.3	65.3	67.5	0	- 3.3
Wood Household Furniture	33.8	33.7	35.1	+ 0.3	- 3.7
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.4	15.6	15.8	- 1.3	- 2.5
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.2	2.1	+ 4.5	+ 9.5
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.3	8.2	0	+ 1.2
Fabricated Metal Products	20.1	20.0	19.6	+ 0.5	+ 2.6
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.8	26.3	28.6	+ 1.9	- 6.3
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	5.0	5.2	0	- 3.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	45.3	45.6	46.3	- 0.7	- 2.2
Household Appliances	4.6	4.6	5.1	0	- 9.8
Transportation Equipment	17.5	17.5	16.8	0	+ 4.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	395.5	393.4	413.5	+ 0.5	- 4.4
Food & Kindred Products	31.9	30.6	30.2	+ 4.2	+ 5.6
Meat Products	16.7	16.5	15.4	+ 1.2	+ 8.4
Meat Packing	2.0	1.9	1.8	+ 5.3	+11.1
Dairy Products	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.4	4.4	4.6	0	- 4.3
Beverages	2.7	2.5	2.6	+ 8.0	+ 3.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.1	17.6	17.4	+ 2.8	+ 4.0
Cigarettes	16.2	15.7	16.0	+ 3.2	+ 1.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.5	1.5	1.1	0	+36.4
Textile Mill Products	182.1	182.7	197.9	- 0.3	- 8.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	47.9	48.0	53.0	- 0.2	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	24.1	23.9	27.0	+ 0.8	-10.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.3	23.6	25.5	- 1.3	- 8.6
Knitting Mills	66.6	66.3	70.6	+ 0.5	- 5.7
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.1	19.8	21.0	+ 1.5	- 4.3
Hosiery, NEC	19.8	20.8	21.1	- 4.8	- 6.2
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.5	11.4	12.3	+ 0.9	- 6.5
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.9	6.4	- 1.7	- 9.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.7	11.8	12.7	- 0.8	- 7.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	45.6	45.9	50.4	- 0.7	- 9.5
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.6	78.1	82.8	+ 0.6	- 5.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	25.9	26.1	28.4	- 0.8	- 8.8
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.5	34.2	36.5	+ 0.9	- 5.5
Paper & Allied Products	17.0	16.6	17.0	+ 2.4	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	8.3	0	- 6.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.5	5.7	+ 1.8	- 1.8
Printing & Publishing	15.2	15.7	14.7	- 3.2	+ 3.4
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.4	0	+ 5.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.5	24.0	25.2	+ 2.1	- 2.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.9	8.8	9.5	+ 1.1	- 6.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.3	24.5	24.5	- 0.8	- 0.8
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	3.8	0	- 5.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

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ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

June, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	June 1985	May * 1985	June 1984	June 1985	May * 1985	June 1984	June 1985	May * 1985	June 1984
MANUFACTURING	$ 284.53	$ 282.03	$ 280.60	39.3	38.9	40.2	$ 7.24	$ 7.25	$ 6.98
DURABLE GOODS	295.66	296.11	290.79	39.9	39.8	40.5	7.41	7.44	7.18
Lumber & Wood Products	256.05	253.15	237.51	41.1	40.7	40.6	6.23	6.22	5.85
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	245.95	254.98	234.74	41.9	41.8	41.4	5.87	6.10	5.67
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	318.89	285.63	253.75	44.6	40.4	38.8	7.15	7.07	6.54
Furniture & Fixtures	246.35	244.67	235.60	37.9	37.7	38.0	6.50	6.49	6.20
Household Furniture	241.50	241.50	233.36	37.5	37.5	37.7	6.44	6.44	6.19
Wood Household Furniture	240.33	242.58	232.25	38.7	39.0	39.1	6.21	6.22	5.94
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	327.02	328.67	324.61	41.5	42.3	42.6	7.88	7.77	7.62
Structural Clay Products	278.40	281.65	259.06	42.7	43.0	42.4	6.52	6.55	6.11
Primary Metal Industries	365.08	364.23	352.29	42.6	42.8	43.6	8.57	8.51	8.08
Fabricated Metal Products	325.92	318.68	313.47	42.0	40.7	40.5	7.76	7.83	7.74
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	356.12	342.38	343.54	42.7	41.5	42.1	8.34	8.25	8.16
Special Industry Machinery	323.83	315.93	306.69	41.2	40.4	41.5	7.86	7.82	7.39
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	309.96	325.20	341.55	37.8	38.9	41.5	8.20	8.36	8.23
Household Appliances	230.45	234.27	261.60	35.4	34.2	40.0	6.51	6.85	6.54
Transportation Equipment	351.94	363.76	330.58	42.3	43.1	42.6	8.32	8.44	7.76
NONDURABLE GOODS	277.36	272.70	274.40	38.9	38.3	40.0	7.13	7.12	6.86
Food & Kindred Products	260.43	264.52	254.56	39.7	40.2	39.9	6.56	6.58	6.38
Meat Products	212.81	215.04	203.32	37.8	38.4	36.9	5.63	5.60	5.51
Meat Packing	315.33	314.07	304.58	41.6	42.1	39.3	7.58	7.46	7.75
Dairy Products	312.55	313.60	274.22	47.0	47.3	44.3	6.65	6.63	6.19
Grain Mill Products	304.67	301.00	297.72	43.9	43.0	43.4	6.94	7.00	6.86
Bakery Products	295.39	301.68	272.16	40.8	41.9	39.5	7.24	7.20	6.89
Beverages	479.17	494.04	501.73	43.8	45.2	46.2	10.94	10.93	10.86
Tobacco Manufacturers	500.87	473.24	506.48	35.7	34.9	39.6	14.03	13.56	12.79
Cigarettes	533.88	502.16	539.75	36.0	34.8	40.1	14.83	14.43	13.46
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	198.42	203.83	196.62	31.9	34.2	33.9	6.22	5.96	5.80
Textile Mill Products	247.81	244.60	250.85	38.6	38.1	40.2	6.42	6.42	6.24
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	259.90	263.51	279.86	36.4	36.7	40.5	7.14	7.18	6.91
Weaving Mills, Cotton	246.16	259.86	274.31	34.0	35.5	39.3	7.24	7.32	6.98
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	273.86	266.49	284.81	38.9	37.8	41.7	7.04	7.05	6.83
Knitting Mills	232.16	223.05	226.76	38.5	37.3	39.3	6.03	5.98	5.77
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	211.18	206.78	206.93	36.6	35.9	37.9	5.77	5.76	5.46
Hosiery, NEC	227.46	210.86	222.09	38.1	35.8	39.1	5.97	5.89	5.68
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	257.51	255.42	249.38	39.8	39.6	39.9	6.47	6.45	6.25
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	293.71	279.26	277.33	44.3	42.7	42.6	6.63	6.54	6.51
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	271.89	273.78	277.53	40.4	40.5	42.5	6.73	6.76	6.53
Yarn & Thread Mills	250.29	243.32	242.00	40.5	39.5	40.2	6.18	6.16	6.02
Apparel & Other Textile Products	193.78	188.27	186.12	37.7	36.7	37.6	5.14	5.13	4.95
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	192.31	187.43	190.63	36.7	35.7	37.6	5.24	5.25	5.07
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	185.93	178.48	175.85	38.1	36.8	37.1	4.88	4.85	4.74
Paper & Allied Products	473.72	450.14	457.36	43.5	40.7	43.6	10.89	11.06	10.49
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	600.77	586.28	573.30	44.7	43.3	45.0	13.44	13.54	12.74
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	352.29	345.49	338.45	43.6	42.6	44.3	8.08	8.11	7.64
Printing & Publishing	311.76	315.44	297.60	38.3	38.8	38.4	8.14	8.13	7.75
Newspapers	275.87	281.39	276.46	34.1	34.4	34.3	8.09	8.18	8.06
Chemicals & Allied Products	393.12	391.46	367.02	42.0	41.6	41.1	9.36	9.41	8.93
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	446.95	455.95	428.43	43.1	43.3	42.8	10.37	10.53	10.01
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	360.26	355.52	370.23	40.8	40.4	43.1	8.83	8.80	8.59
MINING	397.71	395.92	344.76	49.1	49.0	44.2	8.10	8.08	7.80
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	471.63	467.10	451.28	41.7	41.3	41.1	11.31	11.31	10.98
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	193.75	195.60	196.39	32.4	32.6	33.4	5.98	6.00	5.88
Wholesale Trade	291.02	302.88	300.20	38.7	39.8	39.5	7.52	7.61	7.60
Retail Trade	167.32	166.70	168.86	30.7	30.7	31.8	5.45	5.43	5.31
General Merchandise Stores	161.66	156.35	148.80	29.5	28.9	30.0	5.48	5.41	4.96
Food Stores	190.41	187.60	197.06	33.0	32.4	33.4	5.77	5.79	5.90
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	134.77	173.76	128.35	30.7	38.7	30.2	4.39	4.49	4.25
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	192.95	196.18	181.56	36.2	36.6	35.6	5.33	5.36	5.10

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
July, 1985

TOTAL UNADJUSTED EMPLOYMENT GROWS OVER THE MONTH: In mid-July of this year, Statewide total employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 2,968,700, a net monthly gain of 23,900 workers (+0.8 percent). North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total employment sustained a net over-the-month drop of 26,000 people (-0.9 percent) to fall to 2,903,000 in July, 1985.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT SUSTAINS MONTHLY LOSS: As of the middle of July, 1985, manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 805,200, a net over-the-month decrease of 9,800 persons (-1.2 percent). The durable goods segment declined by 3,200 workers (-1.0 percent) with 75 percent of that loss occurring in furniture and fixtures (-1,900) and lumber and wood (-500). The nondurable goods segment fell by 6,600 people (-1.4 percent) with 87.9 percent of that drop taking place in textile mill products (-4,800) and apparel and related products (-1,000).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES SEASONAL DECLINE: Statewide nonmanufactuirng employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,776,800 in mid-July of this year, a substantial net monthly reduction of 44,400 persons (-2.4 percent). The single reason for that sharp drop was the anticipated seasonal cutback of 52,700 (-12.2 percent) in government, which was partially offset by good growth in these three industries: trade (+3,800); construction (+2,900); and service and miscellaneous (+1,100).

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: Since July of last year, North Carolina's manufacturing employment declined by 22,500 workers (-2.7 percent). More than 75 percent of that drop occurred in textile mill products, which fell by 16,900 (-7.8 percent). The second largest decrease took place in apparel and related products, down by 3,900 people (-4.3 percent) over the year. On the other hand, both transportation equipment and printing and publishing enjoyed annual growth of 1,000 each. Nonmanufacturing employment in the State added 76,000 persons (+4.5 percent) during the past twelve months with all seven of the industry groups exhibiting growth. These were the four largest: trade (+22,300); service and miscellaneous (+19,100); construction (+14,600); and government (+12,700).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN JULY: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 177,200 as of mid-July of this year, a net over-the month jump of 7,000 persons (+4.1 percent). As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 5.5 percent in June, 1985, to 5.6 percent in July, 1985. As of the middle of July, 1985, the State's seasonally adjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 166,000, a net monthly surge of 24,000 people (+16.9 percent). Consequently, the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment climbed from 4.6 percent in June to 5.4 percent in July. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.4 percent in July, 1985, and 7.5 percent in June, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the United States stayed the same at 7.3 percent over the month.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

	July, 1985	June, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,145,900	3,115,000
Employment	2,968,700	2,944,800
Unemployment	177,200	170,200
Unemployment Rate	5.6	5.5
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,069,000	3,071,000
Employment	2,903,000	2,929,000
Unemployment	166,000	142,000
Unemployment Rate	5.4	4.6
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.4	7.5
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.3

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS FALL SLIGHTLY: From mid-June to mid-July of this year, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees declined by only 2¢ an hour to $7.24 while rising by 23¢ an hour (+3.3 percent) over the year. The durable goods segment also experienced a small monthly drop of 1¢ an hour to fall to $7.43, which was still 19¢ an hour (+2.6 percent) above July, 1984. Lumber and wood and electrical machinery were the leaders in durable goods with modest net over-the-month gains of 3¢ an hour each to rise to $6.24 and $8.30, respectively. The nondurable goods segment was down by 2¢ an hour in July to $7.12; however, that was 24¢ an hour (+3.5 percent) ahead of last year. Despite the overall decline in nondurables, two of its industry groups did enjoy respectable increases: printing and publishing (15¢ an hour) and paper and allied products (7¢ an hour). From mid-June to mid-July, 1985, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers suffered a loss of $5.86 (-2.0 percent) to drop to $280.91. That was, however, $4.01 (+1.4 percent) more than July of 1984. Lastly, average weekly hours fell by 0.7 of an hour over the month and year to 38.8 in July, 1985.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: At the end of July of this year, there were 169,673 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month decrease of 10,342 people (-5.7 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was the twenty-two to thirty-nine segment which had 101,542 or 59.9 percent of the total. A distant second was the twenty-one and under group with 30,759 or 18.1 percent. The fifty-five and over sector recorded the smallest number of active applicants with 9,511 or just 5.6 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were males, numbering 87,768 or 51.7 percent of the total. Also, the largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, with a count of 98,459 or 58.1 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of July 31, 1985.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE
July 31, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	169,673	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	30,759	18.1
22 - 39	101,542	59.9
40 - 54	27,861	16.4
55 and Over	9,511	5.6
Sex		
Male	87,768	51.7
Female	81,905	48.3
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	98,459	58.1
Black, not Hispanic	66,241	39.0
Hispanic	1,767	1.0
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,361	1.4
Other Races and Undetermined	845	0.5
Eligible Claimant	71,002	41.8
Veteran	31,638	18.6
Handicapped	9,463	5.6
Seasonal Farmworker	3,775	2.2

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS RISES IN JULY: During July of this year, there were 30,808 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, a noticeable net monthly increase of 1,126 (+3.8 percent). A very high percentage of those job openings was filled (91.0 percent or 28,041). The occupational group which registered the largest number of job openings received in July was farming, fishing, and forestry with 8,841, all of which were filled. The service category followed with 4,950 job openings received and 4,398 or 88.8 percent filled. Next came the structural work sector with 3,866 job openings received in July and 3,667 or 94.9 percent filled. The sales group continued to record the lowest number of job openings received with only 701 and about one half of those was filled. There were 17,799 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of July 31, 1985. More than half of those job openings (9,612 or 54.0 percent) were labeled as hard-to-fill because they had been open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on the State's job openings for July, 1985, the first month of the new fiscal year (1986).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

Occupation	July, 1985 Received	July, 1985 Filled	Unfilled (Nonag.) As of July 31, 1985 Total	Unfilled (Nonag.) As of July 31, 1985 30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,149	693	1,710	1,100
Clerical	3,175	2,626	2,424	1,121
Sales .	701	348	1,013	602
Service	4,950	4,398	3,634	1,917
Domestic	347	300	150	91
Other Services	4,603	4,098	3,484	1,826
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	8,841	8,996	269	118
Processing	1,493	1,061	1,041	462
Machine Trades	1,633	1,386	1,509	826
Bench Work	1,754	1,766	1,758	1,085
Structural Work	3,866	3,667	2,755	1,622
Miscellaneous	3,246	3,100	1,686	759
Motor Freight and Trans.	623	461	483	243
Pakg. and Mat. Hand.	2,535	2,560	1,101	460
Other	88	79	102	56
Total	30,808	28,041	17,799	9,612

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1985 (Thous.)	June 1985 * (Thous.)	July 1984 (Thous.)	June 1985	July 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2582.0	2636.2	2528.5	- 2.1	+ 2.1
MANUFACTURING	805.2	815.0	827.7	- 1.2	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	329.0	332.2	331.4	- 1.0	- 0.7
Lumber & Wood Products	36.3	36.8	37.6	- 1.4	- 3.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.9	13.3	13.4	- 3.0	- 3.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.9	9.0	9.3	- 1.1	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.7	4.6	4.7	+ 2.2	0
Furniture & Fixtures	80.9	82.8	83.2	- 2.3	- 2.8
Household Furniture	70.6	72.6	73.3	- 2.8	- 3.7
Wood Household Furniture	35.1	36.4	36.6	- 3.6	- 4.1
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.4	31.0	31.0	- 1.9	- 1.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.6	18.8	19.2	- 1.1	- 3.1
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.5	0	+ 12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.5	5.4	0	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.1	11.0	0	+ 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.8	26.8	26.4	0	+ 1.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.6	8.5	0	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.9	56.0	55.0	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Special Industry Machinery	7.2	7.3	7.5	- 1.4	- 4.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.0	63.1	62.1	- 0.2	+ 1.4
Household Appliances	5.1	5.3	5.8	- 3.8	- 12.1
Transportation Equipment	22.0	21.9	21.0	+ 0.5	+ 4.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.6	14.8	15.9	- 1.4	- 8.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	476.1	482.7	496.3	- 1.4	- 4.1
Food & Kindred Products	45.7	46.4	45.2	- 1.5	+ 1.1
Meat Products	19.1	19.1	17.9	0	+ 6.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 3.7	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
Beverages	6.8	6.7	6.6	+ 1.5	+ 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.1	23.3	22.7	- 0.9	+ 1.8
Cigarettes	20.4	20.4	20.0	0	+ 2.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.2	2.4	2.3	- 8.3	- 4.3
Textile Mill Products	201.1	205.9	218.0	- 2.3	- 7.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	52.3	53.9	59.5	- 3.0	- 12.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.2	27.2	30.7	- 3.8	- 14.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.3	26.0	27.9	- 2.7	- 9.3
Knitting Mills	75.3	75.6	77.9	- 0.4	- 3.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.5	23.0	- 0.4	- 2.6
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.7	22.7	0	- 4.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.5	13.6	14.3	- 0.7	- 5.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.7	6.8	6.9	- 1.5	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.1	14.0	14.8	- 6.4	- 11.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	48.2	49.9	52.8	- 3.4	- 8.7

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July, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1985 (Thous.)	June 1985* (Thous.)	July 1984 (Thous.)	June 1985	July 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.6	88.6	91.5	- 1.1	- 4.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	28.3	28.9	30.5	- 2.1	- 7.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.3	39.4	41.1	- 0.3	- 4.4
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.2	22.5	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.5	10.6	11.1	- 0.9	- 5.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.5	7.4	7.6	+ 1.4	- 1.3
Printing & Publishing	24.7	24.9	23.7	- 0.8	+ 4.2
Newspapers	9.4	9.4	9.1	0	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.3	37.1	38.3	+ 0.5	- 2.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.8	12.8	13.7	0	- 6.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	30.0	29.8	0	+ 0.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.4	4.6	0	- 4.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1776.8	1821.2	1700.8	- 2.4	+ 4.5
MINING	4.8	4.7	4.7	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	152.9	150.0	138.3	+ 1.9	+ 10.6
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.9	129.7	127.2	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.1	70.0	67.4	+ 0.1	+ 4.0
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.8	54.6	54.8	+ 0.4	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	575.0	571.2	552.7	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	133.9	133.1	131.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	80.4	79.9	77.6	+ 0.6	+ 3.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.5	53.2	53.7	+ 0.6	- 0.4
Retail Trade	441.1	438.2	421.4	+ 0.7	+ 4.7
General Merchandise Stores	56.0	56.6	54.6	- 1.1	+ 2.6
Food Stores	67.9	67.6	67.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	111.0	110.7	106.5	+ 0.3	+ 4.2
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	424.0	422.9	404.9	+ 0.3	+ 4.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	26.6	26.5	25.6	+ 0.4	+ 3.9
Personal Services	26.6	26.3	25.1	+ 1.1	+ 6.0
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.1	11.0	10.8	+ 0.9	+ 2.8
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	379.2	431.9	366.5	+ 12.2	+ 3.5
Federal	51.9	51.6	50.3	+ 0.6	+ 3.2
State	116.9	122.1	110.0	- 4.3	+ 6.3
Education	53.2	58.6	48.1	- 9.2	+ 10.6
Other	63.7	63.4	61.9	+ 0.5	+ 2.9
Local	210.4	258.3	206.2	- 18.5	+ 2.0
Education	94.1	140.5	89.1	- 33.0	+ 5.6
Other	116.3	117.8	117.1	- 1.3	- 0.7

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Revised.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1985 (Thous)	June* 1985 (Thous)	July 1984 (Thous)	June 1985	July 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,618.0	2,613.3	2,561.8	+ 0.2	+ 2.2
MANUFACTURING	810.6	812.4	833.0	- 0.2	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	330.7	330.9	332.9	- 0.1	- 0.7
Lumber & Wood Products	35.8	36.4	37.1	- 1.6	- 3.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.8	13.1	13.3	- 2.3	- 3.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.8	9.0	9.2	- 2.2	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Furniture & Fixtures	82.9	83.4	85.2	- 0.6	- 2.7
Household Furniture	72.5	72.7	75.3	- 0.3	- 3.7
Wood Household Furniture	35.5	36.5	37.0	- 2.7	- 4.1
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.8	31.1	31.4	- 1.0	- 1.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.3	18.6	18.9	- 1.6	- 3.2
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.7	2.3	- 3.7	+13.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.4	5.3	0	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.0	11.0	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	26.8	26.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.5	8.5	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.8	55.8	54.9	0	+ 1.6
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.2	62.5	62.3	+ 1.1	+ 1.4
Household Appliances	4.9	5.2	5.5	- 5.8	-10.9
Transportation Equipment	22.0	21.6	21.0	+ 1.9	+ 4.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.7	14.8	16.0	- 0.7	- 8.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	479.9	481.5	500.1	- 0.3	- 4.0
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	45.7	44.5	- 1.5	+ 1.1
Meat Products	19.2	19.0	18.0	+ 1.1	+ 6.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 3.7	+ 4.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.3	2.7	+17.4	0
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	7.9	8.0	7.9	- 1.2	0
Beverages	6.6	6.5	6.4	+ 1.5	+ 3.1
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.6	24.8	24.2	- 0.8	+ 1.7
Cigarettes	19.9	20.0	19.5	- 0.5	+ 2.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.9	4.3	4.0	- 9.3	- 2.5
Textile Mill Products	202.7	204.9	219.8	- 1.1	- 7.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	52.8	53.7	60.0	- 1.7	-12.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.4	27.2	31.0	- 2.9	-14.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.3	25.8	27.9	- 1.9	- 9.3
Knitting Mills	75.6	74.6	78.2	+ 1.3	- 3.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.5	22.3	23.1	+ 2.6	- 2.6
Hosiery, NEC	21.4	21.4	22.4	0	- 4.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.5	13.5	14.3	0	- 5.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.6	6.6	6.8	0	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.4	13.8	15.1	- 2.9	-11.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.2	49.9	53.9	- 1.4	- 8.7

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1985 (Thous)	June* 1985 (Thous)	July 1984 (Thous)	June 1985	July 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.4	88.1	92.3	+ 0.3	- 4.2
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	28.5	28.7	30.7	- 0.7	- 7.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.6	39.0	41.4	+ 1.5	- 4.3
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.2	22.6	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.5	10.6	11.1	- 0.9	- 5.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.5	7.4	7.6	+ 1.4	- 1.3
Printing & Publishing	25.2	25.1	24.1	+ 0.4	+ 4.6
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	9.0	0	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.3	36.7	38.3	+ 1.6	- 2.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.7	12.6	13.6	+ 0.8	- 6.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.9	29.7	29.7	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.3	4.6	+ 2.3	- 4.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,807.4	1,800.9	1,728.8	+ 0.4	+ 4.5
MINING	4.7	4.6	4.6	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
CONSTRUCTION	146.9	145.1	132.9	+ 1.2	+10.5
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.2	129.2	127.5	+ 0.8	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.7	69.7	67.9	+ 1.4	+ 4.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.4	54.1	54.4	+ 0.6	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	573.8	570.4	551.5	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	134.0	134.4	131.4	- 0.3	+ 2.0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	80.2	79.7	77.4	+ 0.6	+ 3.6
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.8	54.7	54.0	- 1.6	- 0.4
Retail Trade	439.8	436.0	420.1	+ 0.9	+ 4.7
General Merchandise Stores	57.2	57.8	55.8	- 1.0	+ 2.5
Food Stores	67.4	67.5	66.6	- 0.1	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	109.7	109.5	105.2	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	414.5	419.5	395.8	- 1.2	+ 4.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.3	24.5	22.4	- 4.9	+ 4.0
Personal Services	27.2	26.8	25.7	+ 1.5	+ 5.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.1	11.0	10.8	+ 0.9	+ 2.8
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	427.6	422.6	411.3	+ 1.2	+ 4.0
Federal	51.1	50.9	49.5	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
State	129.5	124.5	121.2	+ 4.0	+ 6.8
Education	67.5	61.9	61.0	+ 9.0	+10.7
Other	62.0	62.6	60.2	- 1.0	+ 3.0
Local	247.0	247.2	240.6	- 0.1	+ 2.7
Education	135.2	131.8	128.0	+ 2.6	+ 7.2
Other	111.8	115.4	112.6	- 3.1	- 0.7

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Revised.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1985	June * 1985	July 1984	June 1985	July 1984
MANUFACTURING	634.7	645.7	661.3	- 1.7	- 4.0
DURABLE GOODS	246.6	250.7	252.9	- 1.6	- 2.5
Lumber & Wood Products	31.3	31.8	32.6	- 1.6	- 4.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.9	8.1	- 1.3	- 3.7
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	3.8	0	- 2.6
Furniture & Fixtures	71.4	73.5	74.1	- 2.9	- 3.6
Household Furniture	63.0	65.1	65.1	- 3.2	- 4.1
Wood Household Furniture	32.0	33.4	33.7	- 4.2	- 5.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.2	15.5	16.1	- 1.9	- 5.6
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.3	2.0	0	+15.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.3	8.3	0	0
Fabricated Metal Products	20.0	20.1	19.6	- 0.5	+ 2.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.7	27.1	27.7	- 1.5	- 3.6
Special Industry Machinery	4.9	5.0	5.1	- 2.0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	45.0	45.5	45.3	- 1.1	- 0.7
Household Appliances	4.5	4.6	5.1	- 2.2	-11.8
Transportation Equipment	17.7	17.7	17.1	0	+ 3.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	388.2	395.0	408.4	- 1.7	- 4.9
Food & Kindred Products	31.8	32.4	31.1	- 1.9	+ 2.3
Meat Products	16.9	16.9	15.7	0	+ 7.6
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.7	0	+11.8
Dairy Products	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.4	4.5	4.5	- 2.2	- 2.2
Beverages	2.8	2.7	2.6	+ 3.7	+ 7.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.9	18.1	17.6	- 1.1	+ 1.7
Cigarettes	16.2	16.2	15.9	0	+ 1.9
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.3	1.5	1.3	-13.3	0
Textile Mill Products	177.6	182.3	193.6	- 2.6	- 8.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	46.0	47.6	52.8	- 3.4	-12.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.0	24.0	27.4	- 4.2	-16.1
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	22.6	23.1	24.9	- 2.2	- 9.2
Knitting Mills	66.7	66.9	69.3	- 0.3	- 3.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.2	20.3	21.0	- 0.5	- 3.8
Hosiery, NEC	19.8	19.9	20.8	- 0.5	- 4.8
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.5	11.5	12.2	0	- 5.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.9	6.0	- 1.7	- 3.3
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.0	11.7	12.4	- 6.0	-11.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	43.8	45.5	48.5	- 3.7	- 9.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.6	77.7	81.0	- 1.4	- 5.4
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.9	25.6	27.7	- 2.7	-10.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.2	34.3	35.7	- 0.3	- 4.2
Paper & Allied Products	16.8	16.8	17.1	0	- 1.8
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.7	7.8	8.3	- 1.3	- 7.2
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.5	5.8	+ 1.8	- 3.4
Printing & Publishing	15.2	15.4	14.6	- 1.3	+ 4.1
Newspapers	3.5	3.6	3.5	- 2.8	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.1	24.2	25.0	- 0.4	- 3.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.0	9.0	9.6	0	- 6.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.4	24.5	24.5	- 0.4	- 0.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	3.9	0	- 7.7

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

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ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

July, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	July 1985	June 1985*	July 1984	July 1985	June 1985*	July 1984	July 1985	June 1985*	July 1984
MANUFACTURING	$280.91	$286.77	$276.90	38.8	39.5	39.5	$ 7.24	$ 7.26	$ 7.01
DURABLE GOODS	292.74	298.34	288.88	39.4	40.1	39.9	7.43	7.44	7.24
Lumber & Wood Products	255.22	251.51	240.98	40.9	40.5	40.5	6.24	6.21	5.95
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	246.33	247.80	230.11	41.4	42.0	40.3	5.95	5.90	5.71
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	288.36	293.04	267.33	40.5	41.1	38.8	7.12	7.13	6.89
Furniture & Fixtures	240.59	247.49	231.38	36.9	37.9	37.2	6.52	6.53	6.22
Household Furniture	236.16	243.65	228.53	36.5	37.6	36.8	6.47	6.48	6.21
Wood Household Furniture	229.03	243.13	227.50	37.0	38.9	38.3	6.19	6.25	5.94
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	325.07	330.72	326.13	41.2	41.6	42.3	7.89	7.95	7.71
Structural Clay Products	276.22	282.74	258.30	42.3	43.1	42.0	6.53	6.56	6.15
Primary Metal Industries	346.42	365.09	358.22	40.9	42.7	43.9	8.47	8.55	8.16
Fabricated Metal Products	314.83	323.95	312.29	41.1	41.8	40.4	7.66	7.75	7.73
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	332.51	346.92	338.25	40.5	42.0	41.1	8.21	8.26	8.23
Special Industry Machinery	314.69	318.65	295.02	40.5	40.8	39.6	7.77	7.81	7.45
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	320.38	327.49	332.51	38.6	39.6	40.5	8.30	8.27	8.21
Household Appliances	227.36	237.11	254.18	34.5	36.2	37.6	6.59	6.55	6.76
Transportation Equipment	350.28	356.14	333.06	41.8	42.6	42.0	8.38	8.36	7.93
NONDURABLE GOODS	273.41	279.17	270.38	38.4	39.1	39.3	7.12	7.14	6.88
Food & Kindred Products	266.34	261.05	255.96	40.6	40.1	40.5	6.56	6.51	6.32
Meat Products	223.84	214.32	207.43	39.9	38.0	38.2	5.61	5.64	5.43
Meat Packing	339.01	328.85	304.98	44.2	43.1	39.2	7.67	7.63	7.78
Dairy Products	308.22	310.09	276.14	46.7	46.7	44.9	6.60	6.64	6.15
Grain Mill Products	319.41	310.80	288.27	45.5	44.4	41.9	7.02	7.00	6.88
Bakery Products	295.61	289.60	276.11	41.0	40.0	39.5	7.21	7.24	6.99
Beverages	476.32	482.90	508.07	43.9	44.1	47.0	10.85	10.95	10.81
Tobacco Manufacturers	457.80	501.92	479.06	32.7	35.8	37.9	14.00	14.02	12.64
Cigarettes	484.44	533.88	515.71	32.6	36.0	38.4	14.86	14.83	13.43
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	208.89	200.20	180.88	34.7	32.5	32.3	6.02	6.16	5.60
Textile Mill Products	240.79	249.99	246.09	37.8	39.0	39.5	6.37	6.41	6.23
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	259.88	266.35	275.89	36.5	37.2	40.1	7.12	7.16	6.88
Weaving Mills, Cotton	245.05	256.98	274.51	33.8	35.3	39.9	7.25	7.28	6.88
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	274.01	275.66	277.95	39.2	39.1	40.4	6.99	7.05	6.88
Knitting Mills	220.97	233.01	221.57	37.2	38.9	38.4	5.94	5.99	5.77
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	202.99	213.36	198.38	35.8	37.3	36.2	5.67	5.72	5.48
Hosiery, NEC	223.13	227.08	222.69	37.5	38.1	39.0	5.95	5.96	5.71
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	233.60	257.51	239.47	36.5	39.8	38.5	6.40	6.47	6.22
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	261.62	293.91	270.03	41.2	44.6	41.8	6.35	6.59	6.46
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	259.38	274.99	269.04	39.3	40.8	41.2	6.60	6.74	6.53
Yarn & Thread Mills	240.47	249.27	236.40	39.1	40.4	39.4	6.15	6.17	6.00
Apparel & Other Textile Products	187.08	192.24	179.69	36.9	37.4	36.3	5.07	5.14	4.95
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	182.52	189.85	181.36	35.1	36.3	35.7	5.20	5.23	5.08
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	178.93	184.57	170.61	37.2	37.9	36.3	4.81	4.87	4.70
Paper & Allied Products	488.19	473.04	466.22	44.3	43.2	43.9	11.02	10.95	10.62
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	634.77	600.77	598.10	46.3	44.7	46.4	13.71	13.44	12.89
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	353.97	352.72	330.05	43.7	43.6	43.2	8.10	8.09	7.64
Printing & Publishing	322.04	315.41	294.89	38.8	38.7	38.1	8.30	8.15	7.74
Newspapers	286.18	277.70	269.39	34.9	34.2	33.8	8.20	8.12	7.97
Chemicals & Allied Products	395.96	392.47	362.69	41.9	41.4	39.9	9.45	9.48	9.09
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	455.95	449.40	423.11	43.3	42.8	42.1	10.53	10.50	10.05
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	357.86	359.72	365.51	40.3	40.6	42.6	8.88	8.86	8.58
MINING	398.86	395.92	341.10	49.0	49.0	43.9	8.14	8.08	7.77
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	484.79	475.57	459.64	42.6	41.9	41.9	11.38	11.35	10.97
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	195.10	194.89	196.06	32.9	32.7	33.4	5.93	5.96	5.87
Wholesale Trade	294.47	292.55	297.55	38.9	38.8	39.1	7.57	7.54	7.61
Retail Trade	167.86	168.56	168.43	31.2	31.1	31.9	5.38	5.42	5.28
General Merchandise Stores	160.97	161.66	147.98	30.2	29.5	30.2	5.33	5.48	4.90
Food Stores	190.24	191.23	190.03	33.2	33.2	32.1	5.73	5.76	5.92
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	136.92	136.95	129.30	30.7	30.5	30.0	4.46	4.49	4.31
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	193.14	193.32	181.56	35.7	36.0	35.6	5.41	5.37	5.10

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

AUGUST, 1985

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
August, 1985

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CLIMBS IN AUGUST: North Carolina's total employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 2,975,500 in the middle of August, 1985, a net over-the-month increase of 6,800 persons (+0.2 percent). The State's seasonally adjusted total employment grew by 22,000 workers (+0.8 percent) from mid-July to mid-August to rise to 2,925,000.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS OVER-THE-MONTH GROWTH: Statewide manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 811,900 in mid-August of this year, a net monthly increase of 6,600 workers (+0.8 percent). The durable goods sector accounted for 1,300 of that gain, mainly due to the addition of 1,400 people (+1.7 percent) in the furniture and fixtures industry. The nondurable goods sector made up the balance (+5,300) with strong growth occurring in the textile mill products (+4,200) and tobacco manufacturing (+1,300).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT RECORDS MONTHLY INCREASE: In the middle of August, 1985, North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,782,400, a significant net over-the-month gain of 10,200 workers (+0.6 percent). All seven of the industry groups exhibited some type of increase with the three largest being government (+4,100); trade (+3,500); and service and miscellaneous (+1,100).

MANUFACTURING FALLS WHILE NONMANUFACTURING RISES OVER THE YEAR: Manufacturing employment in the State dropped by 23,100 persons (-2.8 percent) from August of 1984, with North Carolina's three largest manufacturing industries; namely, textile mill products (-13,300); apparel and related products (-4,900); and furniture and fixtures (-1,500), accounting for 85.3 percent of that loss. On the positive side, Statewide nonmanufacturing employment surged by 64,700 workers (+3.8 percent) over the year as each of the seven industry groups grew. Those experiencing impressive growth included service and miscellaneous (+19,800); trade (+17,700); construction (+12,700); government (+8,700); and finance, insurance, and real estate (+4,800).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT RISES OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of August, 1985, Statewide total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 183,500, a net monthly increase of 6,300 people (+3.6 percent). Consequently, the unadjusted rate of unemployment climbed from 5.6 percent in July to 5.8 percent in August of this year. The seasonally adjusted unemployment total in North Carolina was estimated to be 185,000 this August, a net over-the-month jump of 19,000 persons (+11.4 percent). As a result, the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment rose from 5.4 percent to 5.9 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 6.9 percent in August, 1985, and 7.4 percent in July, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.0 percent this August and 7.3 percent this July.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force [1]

	August, 1985	July, 1985
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,159,000	3,145,900
Employment	2,975,500	2,968,700
Unemployment	183,500	177,200
Unemployment Rate	5.8	5.6
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,110,000	3,069,000
Employment	2,925,000	2,903,000
Unemployment	185,000	166,000
Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.4
National Rate (Unadjusted)	6.9	7.4
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.0	7.3

[1] Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS INCREASE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers rose by 6¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to $7.31 from the middle of July to the middle of August, 1985. Since August of last year, average hourly earnings have grown by 29¢ an hour (+4.1 percent). The durable goods sector also added 6¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) over the month to rise to $7.50 this August, 22¢ an hour (+3.0 percent) ahead of August, 1984. Transportation equipment led the way in durable goods with a net monthly increase of 14¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to reach $8.52 in August, 1985. Electrical machinery was a close second with a net over-the-month gain of 12¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to rise to $8.41. The nondurable goods sector rose by 6¢ an hour as well, climbing to $7.19 this August, which was 32¢ an hour (+4.7 percent) above one year ago. The rubber industry registered the largest net monthly increase in nondurable goods, up by 29¢ an hour (+3.3 percent), to hit $9.13. Food and kindred products followed with a net over-the-month gain of 10¢ an hour (+1.5 percent) to arrive at $6.66 in August of this year. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees showed a monthly growth of $9.63 (+3.4 percent) to reach a level of $290.21, $10.81 (+3.9 percent) above last year. Average weekly hours gained one full hour over the month, but the current figure (39.7) is still slightly below twelve months ago (39.8).

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS GROWS IN AUGUST: There were 171,906 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of August 31, 1985, a net monthly increase of 2,233 persons (+1.3 percent). As expected, the twenty-two to thirty-nine sector was the largest applicant segment by age with 105,430 or 61.4 percent of the total. That was followed by the forty to fifty-four sector which had 28,744 or 16.7 percent. By far the smallest applicant segment was the fifty-five and over group with 9,505 or only 5.5 percent of the total. Females comprised 49.3 percent of the active applicants with a count of 84,795. Blacks who were not Hispanics numbered 66,858 or 38.9 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file at the end of August this year.

Statewide Active Applicant File
August 31, 1985

	Number	Percent
Total	171,906	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	28,227	16.4
22 - 39	105,430	61.4
40 - 54	28,744	16.7
55 and Over	9,505	5.5
Sex		
Male	87,111	50.7
Female	84,795	49.3
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	99,930	58.1
Black, not Hispanic	66,858	38.9
Hispanic	1,878	1.1
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,383	1.4
Other Races and Undetermined	857	0.5
Eligible Claimant	70,949	41.3
Veteran	32,546	18.9
Handicapped	9,984	5.8
Seasonal Farmworker	4,002	2.3

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: There were 31,162 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during August, 1985, a small net over-the-month rise of 354 (+1.1 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (24,417 or 78.4 percent). The most openings received, 7,567, were occupations in the farming, fishing, and forestry industry and the vast majority of these was filled (7,449 or 98.4 percent). There were 4,694 job openings received for service occupations, and 3,439 or 73.3 percent were filled. That was followed by the structural work category showing 4,149 job openings received during August and 3,047 or 73.4 percent filled. Once again job openings in the sales sector registered the fewest received with just 939, and less than one half of them was filled (448 or 47.7 percent). From July 1, 1985, through August 31, 1985, there were 61,970 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina with 52,458 being filled (84.7 percent). As of August 31, 1985, there were 19,201 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Most of those job openings (11,484 or 59.8 percent) had been open for thirty days or more and were, therefore, classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings for August, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1985, through August 31, 1985).

Statewide Job Openings Data

	August, 1985		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Aug. 31, 1985	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	1,204	716	2,353	1,409	1,767	1,153
Clerical	3,245	2,147	6,420	4,773	2,583	1,370
Sales	939	448	1,640	796	1,162	696
Service	4,694	3,439	9,644	7,837	3,897	2,296
Domestic	262	207	609	507	172	118
Other Services	4,432	3,232	9,035	7,330	3,725	2,178
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	7,567	7,449	16,408	16,445	344	172
Processing	1,332	1,353	2,825	2,414	818	562
Machine Trades	1,645	1,039	3,278	2,425	1,593	949
Bench Work	2,389	1,894	4,143	3,660	1,988	1,325
Structural Work	4,149	3,047	8,015	6,714	2,853	1,794
Miscellaneous	3,998	2,885	7,244	5,985	2,196	1,167
Motor Freight & Transp.	608	375	1,231	836	528	274
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	3,325	2,470	5,860	5,030	1,569	822
Other	65	40	153	119	99	71
Total	31,162	24,417	61,970	52,458	19,201	11,484

1/ July 1, 1985, through August 31, 1985.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

AUGUST, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	August 1985 (Thous.)	July* 1985 (Thous.)	August 1984 (Thous.)	July 1985	August 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2594.3	2577.5	2552.7	+ 0.7	+ 1.6
MANUFACTURING	811.9	805.3	835.0	+ 0.8	- 2.8
DURABLE GOODS	330.3	329.0	334.4	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.2	37.1	+ 0.6	- 1.9
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.8	12.9	13.2	- 0.8	- 3.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.9	8.8	9.3	+ 1.1	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.8	4.7	4.6	+ 2.1	+ 4.3
Furniture & Fixtures	82.5	81.1	84.0	+ 1.7	- 1.8
Household Furniture	72.2	70.9	74.2	+ 1.8	- 2.7
Wood Household Furniture	35.9	35.3	37.8	+ 1.7	- 5.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.1	30.4	31.0	+ 2.3	+ 0.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.8	18.6	19.1	+ 1.1	- 1.6
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.6	0	+ 7.7
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.5	5.3	0	+ 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.4	11.2	11.1	+ 1.8	+ 2.7
Fabricated Metal Products	27.0	26.9	26.8	+ 0.4	+ 0.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.7	8.6	8.7	+ 1.2	0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.3	55.8	56.0	- 0.9	- 1.2
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.2	7.6	+ 1.4	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.7	62.8	63.9	- 0.2	- 1.9
Household Appliances	5.3	5.1	6.0	+ 3.9	- 11.7
Transportation Equipment	21.7	21.8	20.5	- 0.5	+ 5.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.7	14.6	15.9	+ 0.7	- 7.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	481.6	476.3	500.6	+ 1.1	- 3.8
Food & Kindred Products	45.9	46.4	44.7	- 1.1	+ 2.7
Meat Products	19.4	19.4	18.1	0	+ 7.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.5	0	+ 8.0
Dairy Products	2.7	2.8	2.8	- 3.6	- 3.6
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	7.9	8.0	8.0	- 1.2	- 1.2
Beverages	6.7	6.7	6.5	0	+ 3.1
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.3	23.0	25.4	+ 5.7	- 4.3
Cigarettes	20.2	20.4	19.9	- 1.0	+ 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.6	2.2	5.0	+ 63.6	- 28.0
Textile Mill Products	205.2	201.0	218.5	+ 2.1	- 6.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	52.5	52.1	59.7	+ 0.8	- 12.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.6	26.3	30.1	+ 1.1	- 11.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.2	25.0	28.8	+ 0.8	- 12.5
Knitting Mills	76.8	75.6	77.0	+ 1.6	- 0.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.9	22.6	22.9	+ 1.3	0
Hosiery, NEC	22.0	21.7	22.6	+ 1.4	- 2.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.3	13.5	14.0	+ 5.9	+ 2.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.8	6.7	7.0	+ 1.5	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.7	13.0	14.5	+ 5.4	- 5.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.2	48.2	53.9	+ 4.1	- 6.9

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

AUGUST, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT August 1985 (Thous.)	July * 1985 (Thous.)	August 1984 (Thous.)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: July 1985	August 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.1	87.5	93.0	+ 0.7	- 5.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	28.2	28.2	31.4	0	- 10.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.4	39.3	41.5	+ 0.3	- 5.1
Paper & Allied Products	22.2	22.3	22.3	- 0.4	- 0.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.5	10.5	11.0	0	- 4.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.4	7.5	7.4	- 1.3	0
Printing & Publishing	25.0	24.7	24.0	+ 1.2	+ 4.2
Newspapers	9.5	9.4	9.2	+ 1.1	+ 3.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.7	37.1	38.4	- 1.1	- 4.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.7	12.8	13.7	- 0.8	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.9	30.0	29.8	- 0.3	+ 0.3
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.3	4.5	+ 2.3	- 2.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1782.4	1772.2	1717.7	+ 0.6	+ 3.8
MINING	4.9	4.8	4.7	+ 2.1	+ 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	152.3	151.9	139.6	+ 0.3	+ 9.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.7	130.0	129.9	+ 0.5	+ 0.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.8	70.2	69.9	+ 0.9	+ 1.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.9	54.8	54.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	576.6	573.1	558.9	+ 0.6	+ 3.2
Wholesale Trade	135.3	133.6	134.8	+ 1.3	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	80.3	80.2	77.9	+ 0.1	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	55.0	53.3	56.9	+ 3.2	- 3.3
Retail Trade	441.3	439.5	424.1	+ 0.4	+ 4.1
General Merchandise Stores	56.5	55.9	55.1	+ 1.1	+ 2.5
Food Stores	67.2	68.1	66.2	- 1.3	+ 1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	111.4	111.1	106.6	+ 0.3	+ 4.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	425.9	424.8	406.1	+ 0.3	+ 4.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	26.2	26.6	26.0	- 1.5	+ 0.8
Personal Services	27.1	26.5	25.6	+ 2.3	+ 5.9
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.3	11.2	10.9	+ 0.9	+ 3.7
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	380.6	376.5	371.9	+ 1.1	+ 2.3
Federal	51.8	51.8	50.3	0	+ 3.0
State	118.6	115.7	113.8	+ 2.5	+ 4.2
Education	55.6	52.4	52.2	+ 6.1	+ 6.5
Other	63.0	63.3	61.6	- 0.5	+ 2.3
Local	210.2	209.0	207.8	+ 0.6	+ 1.2
Education	91.5	89.5	91.1	+ 2.2	+ 0.4
Other	118.6	119.5	116.7	- 0.8	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Revised.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

August, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	August 1985 (Thous)	July* 1985 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	July 1985	August 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,615.7	2,610.8	2,573.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.6
MANUFACTURING	809.2	810.5	831.6	- 0.2	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	330.8	330.5	334.6	+ 0.1	- 1.1
Lumber & Wood Products	35.9	35.7	36.6	+ 0.6	- 1.9
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.7	12.8	13.1	- 0.8	- 3.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.8	8.7	9.2	+ 1.1	- 4.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.6	4.5	4.4	+ 2.2	+ 4.5
Furniture & Fixtures	83.7	83.1	85.2	+ 0.7	- 1.8
Household Furniture	73.0	72.8	75.0	+ 0.3	- 2.7
Wood Household Furniture	35.8	35.7	37.6	+ 0.3	- 4.8
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.4	30.8	31.2	+ 1.9	+ 0.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.3	18.9	+ 2.2	- 1.1
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.6	2.5	+ 3.8	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.4	5.4	5.2	0	+ 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	11.3	11.2	11.0	+ 0.9	+ 2.7
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	27.0	26.7	- 0.4	+ 0.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.6	8.6	0	0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.3	55.7	56.0	- 0.7	- 1.2
Special Industry Machinery	7.3	7.3	7.6	0	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.6	63.0	63.8	- 0.6	- 1.9
Household Appliances	4.9	4.9	5.6	0	-12.5
Transportation Equipment	21.7	21.8	20.5	- 0.5	+ 5.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.7	14.7	15.9	0	- 7.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	478.4	480.0	497.0	- 0.3	- 3.7
Food & Kindred Products	45.4	45.7	44.2	- 0.7	+ 2.7
Meat Products	19.2	19.5	18.0	- 1.5	+ 6.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.5	0	+ 8.0
Dairy Products	2.6	2.7	2.7	- 3.7	- 3.7
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	- 8.0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	8.0	0	- 1.2
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.3	0	+ 3.2
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.6	24.5	23.6	- 7.8	- 4.2
Cigarettes	20.1	19.9	19.8	+ 1.0	+ 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.6	3.9	3.7	-33.3	-29.7
Textile Mill Products	204.6	202.6	217.8	+ 1.0	- 6.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	52.5	52.6	59.7	- 0.2	-12.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.8	26.5	30.3	+ 1.1	-11.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.2	25.0	28.8	+ 0.8	-12.5
Knitting Mills	76.3	75.9	76.5	+ 0.5	- 0.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.8	22.7	22.8	+ 0.4	0
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.4	22.3	+ 1.4	- 2.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.4	13.5	14.1	+ 6.7	+ 2.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.8	6.6	7.0	+ 3.0	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.6	13.3	14.4	+ 2.3	- 5.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.9	49.2	53.6	+ 1.4	- 6.9

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

August, 1985

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	August 1985 (Thous)	July* 1985 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	July 1985	August 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.6	88.3	92.4	- 0.8	- 5.2
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.9	28.4	31.1	- 1.8	-10.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.1	39.6	41.2	- 1.3	- 5.1
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.4	22.4	- 0.4	- 0.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.5	11.1	+ 1.0	- 4.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.5	7.5	7.5	0	0
Printing & Publishing	25.4	25.2	24.4	+ 0.8	+ 4.1
Newspapers	9.6	9.3	9.3	+ 3.2	+ 3.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.7	37.1	38.4	- 1.1	- 4.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.7	12.7	13.7	0	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.4	29.9	29.3	- 1.7	+ 0.3
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.3	4.5	+ 2.3	- 2.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1,806.5	1,800.3	1,742.2	+ 0.3	+ 3.7
MINING	4.9	4.7	4.7	+ 4.3	+ 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	146.0	145.9	133.8	+ 0.1	+ 9.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.3	130.3	129.5	0	+ 0.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.9	70.8	70.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.5	54.4	54.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	570.7	571.8	553.1	- 0.2	+ 3.2
Wholesale Trade	132.5	133.6	131.9	- 0.8	+ 0.5
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	80.0	80.0	77.6	0	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.5	53.6	54.3	- 2.1	- 3.3
Retail Trade	438.2	438.2	421.2	0	+ 4.0
General Merchandise Stores	57.1	57.1	55.7	0	+ 2.5
Food Stores	66.9	67.6	65.9	- 1.0	+ 1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	110.3	109.8	105.5	+ 0.5	+ 4.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	417.1	415.2	397.7	+ 0.5	+ 4.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.5	23.3	22.3	- 3.4	+ 0.9
Personal Services	27.7	27.1	26.1	+ 2.2	+ 6.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.2	11.2	10.8	0	+ 3.7
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	427.2	422.6	417.9	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Federal	51.3	51.0	49.8	+ 0.6	+ 3.0
State	128.0	128.1	122.6	- 0.1	+ 4.4
Education	66.3	66.5	62.3	- 0.3	+ 6.4
Other	61.7	61.6	60.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.3
Local	247.9	243.5	245.5	+ 1.8	+ 1.0
Education	132.2	128.6	131.6	+ 2.8	+ 0.5
Other	115.7	114.9	113.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

August, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	August 1985	July* 1985	August 1984	July 1985	August 1984
MANUFACTURING	642.5	635.1	668.4	+ 1.2	- 3.9
DURABLE GOODS	248.9	246.8	255.9	- 0.7	- 2.7
Lumber & Wood Products	31.4	31.3	32.3	+ 0.3	- 2.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.8	8.3	0	- 6.0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.9	3.7	3.7	+ 5.4	+ 5.4
Furniture & Fixtures	72.9	71.6	74.8	+ 1.8	- 2.5
Household Furniture	64.4	63.2	66.6	+ 1.9	- 3.3
Wood Household Furniture	32.8	32.3	34.8	+ 1.5	- 5.7
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.4	15.3	16.0	+ 0.7	- 3.8
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.3	2.1	0	+ 9.5
Primary Metal Industries	8.5	8.4	8.4	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Fabricated Metal Products	20.3	20.1	20.0	+ 1.0	+ 1.5
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.0	26.9	28.6	+ 0.4	- 5.6
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	4.9	5.2	+ 2.0	- 3.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.8	44.8	47.0	0	- 4.7
Household Appliances	4.7	4.5	5.4	+ 4.4	-13.0
Transportation Equipment	17.4	17.6	16.7	- 1.1	+ 4.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	393.6	388.3	412.5	+ 1.4	- 4.6
Food & Kindred Products	31.8	32.3	30.6	- 1.5	+ 3.9
Meat Products	17.2	17.2	15.9	0	+ 8.2
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.7	0	+11.8
Dairy Products	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	- 5.9
Bakery Products	4.4	4.4	4.5	0	- 2.2
Beverages	2.7	2.8	2.5	- 3.6	+ 8.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.9	17.8	20.2	+ 6.2	- 6.4
Cigarettes	16.0	16.2	15.8	- 1.2	+ 1.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.5	1.3	4.0	+92.3	-37.5
Textile Mill Products	181.7	177.6	194.2	+ 2.3	- 6.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	46.3	45.8	53.0	+ 1.1	-12.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.4	23.0	26.7	+ 1.7	-12.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	22.4	22.3	25.8	+ 0.4	-13.2
Knitting Mills	68.2	67.0	68.4	+ 1.8	- 0.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.7	20.5	20.8	+ 1.0	- 0.5
Hosiery, NEC	20.0	19.8	20.7	+ 1.0	- 3.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.2	11.5	11.9	+ 6.1	+ 2.5
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.8	6.1	+ 1.7	- 3.3
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.4	10.8	12.2	+ 5.6	- 6.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	45.8	43.8	49.5	+ 4.6	- 7.5
Apparel & Other Textile Products	77.0	76.5	82.6	+ 0.7	- 6.8
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.5	24.8	28.6	- 1.2	-14.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.3	34.2	36.1	+ 0.3	- 5.0
Paper & Allied Products	16.7	16.8	16.8	- 0.6	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.6	7.7	8.2	- 1.3	- 7.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.6	5.6	0	0
Printing & Publishing	15.3	15.2	14.7	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
Newspapers	3.6	3.5	3.5	+ 2.9	+ 2.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.9	24.0	25.2	- 0.4	- 5.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.9	9.0	9.6	- 1.1	- 7.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.4	24.5	24.4	- 0.4	0
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.6	3.8	+ 2.8	- 2.6

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

* Revised.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

AUGUST, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	August 1985	July* 1985	August 1984	August 1985	July* 1985	August 1984	August 1985	July* 1985	August 1984
MANUFACTURING	$290.21	$280.58	$279.40	39.7	38.7	39.8	$ 7.31	$ 7.25	$ 7.02
DURABLE GOODS	303.00	293.14	294.11	40.4	39.4	40.4	7.50	7.44	7.28
Lumber & Wood Products	255.37	252.94	239.40	40.6	40.6	39.9	6.29	6.23	6.00
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	244.99	244.17	227.26	40.9	40.9	39.8	5.99	5.97	5.71
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	288.17	283.51	280.89	39.1	40.1	40.3	7.37	7.07	6.97
Furniture & Fixtures	257.01	240.59	240.03	39.0	36.9	38.1	6.59	6.52	6.30
Household Furniture	254.67	236.44	238.14	39.0	36.6	37.8	6.53	6.46	6.30
Wood Household Furniture	247.27	231.01	232.59	39.5	37.2	38.7	6.26	6.21	6.01
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	333.48	324.66	327.33	42.0	41.2	42.4	7.94	7.88	7.72
Structural Clay Products	284.26	275.37	259.53	43.2	42.3	42.2	6.58	6.51	6.15
Primary Metal Industries	361.65	348.50	357.72	42.2	41.0	44.0	8.57	8.50	8.13
Fabricated Metal Products	320.74	315.65	323.23	41.6	41.1	41.6	7.71	7.68	7.77
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	345.69	331.27	346.08	41.7	40.3	42.0	8.29	8.22	8.24
Special Industry Machinery	310.45	308.88	303.35	39.7	39.6	40.5	7.82	7.80	7.49
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	333.88	321.65	340.72	39.7	38.8	41.1	8.41	8.29	8.29
Household Appliances	251.25	232.47	264.53	38.3	35.6	39.6	6.56	6.53	6.68
Transportation Equipment	360.40	355.31	331.47	42.3	42.4	41.8	8.52	8.38	7.93
NONDURABLE GOODS	281.85	273.08	271.37	39.2	38.3	39.5	7.19	7.13	6.87
Food & Kindred Products	265.07	266.34	254.08	39.8	40.6	39.7	6.66	6.56	6.40
Meat Products	213.74	222.95	199.39	38.1	39.6	37.2	5.61	5.63	5.36
Meat Packing	316.92	339.01	296.42	41.7	43.8	38.1	7.60	7.74	7.78
Dairy Products	310.00	308.76	269.51	46.2	46.5	43.4	6.71	6.64	6.21
Grain Mill Products	311.24	318.96	311.31	44.4	45.5	44.6	7.01	7.01	6.98
Bakery Products	304.83	307.55	293.56	41.7	41.9	42.3	7.31	7.34	6.94
Beverages	499.21	472.61	495.04	44.1	43.2	45.5	11.32	10.94	10.88
Tobacco Manufacturers	477.80	461.26	423.34	34.8	32.9	37.9	13.73	14.02	11.17
Cigarettes	523.60	484.44	503.31	35.0	32.6	37.9	14.96	14.86	13.28
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	208.59	216.09	175.31	32.9	35.6	37.7	6.34	6.07	4.65
Textile Mill Products	254.13	241.80	246.48	39.4	37.9	39.5	6.45	6.38	6.24
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	286.48	260.26	275.60	39.9	36.4	40.0	7.18	7.15	6.89
Weaving Mills, Cotton	289.81	243.21	268.11	39.7	33.5	38.8	7.30	7.26	6.91
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	282.71	277.38	283.04	40.1	39.4	41.2	7.05	7.04	6.87
Knitting Mills	225.22	222.75	222.32	37.6	37.5	38.2	5.99	5.94	5.82
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	219.04	212.98	199.60	37.7	37.3	35.9	5.81	5.71	5.56
Hosiery, NEC	217.77	220.97	220.59	36.6	37.2	38.7	5.95	5.94	5.70
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	239.84	232.96	250.04	37.3	36.4	39.5	6.43	6.40	6.33
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	275.41	262.67	272.41	43.1	41.3	42.3	6.39	6.36	6.44
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	283.71	256.86	262.99	41.6	38.8	40.9	6.82	6.62	6.43
Yarn & Thread Mills	255.41	240.86	236.38	40.8	39.1	39.2	6.26	6.16	6.03
Apparel & Other Textile Products	191.95	185.93	185.63	37.2	36.6	37.2	5.16	5.08	4.99
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	187.78	181.13	189.01	35.7	34.7	36.7	5.26	5.22	5.15
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	182.63	178.93	175.38	37.5	37.2	37.0	4.87	4.81	4.74
Paper & Allied Products	476.98	484.66	471.87	43.8	44.1	44.1	10.89	10.99	10.70
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	615.17	631.09	580.29	45.3	46.2	45.3	13.58	13.66	12.81
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	348.73	350.67	334.52	43.7	43.4	43.5	7.98	8.08	7.69
Printing & Publishing	322.09	321.60	304.57	38.9	38.7	38.7	8.28	8.31	7.87
Newspapers	279.57	283.72	274.92	34.6	34.6	34.8	8.08	8.20	7.90
Chemicals & Allied Products	397.52	388.14	376.57	41.8	40.6	41.2	9.51	9.56	9.14
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	438.65	454.90	426.15	42.3	43.2	42.7	10.37	10.53	9.98
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	373.42	356.25	364.64	40.9	40.3	42.4	9.13	8.84	8.60
MINING	389.76	398.37	342.42	48.0	49.0	43.9	8.12	8.13	7.80
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	475.45	469.96	464.26	42.3	41.7	41.6	11.24	11.27	11.16
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.80	196.68	195.88	32.8	33.0	33.2	6.00	5.96	5.90
Wholesale Trade	293.67	295.25	292.89	39.0	38.9	39.0	7.53	7.59	7.51
Retail Trade	170.12	169.56	169.06	31.1	31.4	31.6	5.47	5.40	5.35
General Merchandise Stores	168.17	165.92	148.20	30.3	30.5	29.7	5.55	5.44	4.99
Food Stores	187.45	189.24	195.72	32.6	33.2	33.4	5.75	5.70	5.86
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	144.41	137.46	134.66	31.6	31.1	31.1	4.57	4.42	4.33
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	195.84	196.57	183.54	36.0	36.2	35.5	5.44	5.43	5.17

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